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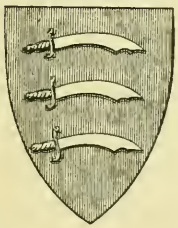

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PREFACE.

WHEN the County of London was constituted by the Local Government Act, 1888, it was arranged by the Authorities of the County of Middlesex and the new County of London that the former should retain the Guildhall, Westminster, as its headquarters, while the Sessions House, Clerkenwell, where the County Records were then stored, was retained, for Quarter Sessional purposes, by the County of London.

It was only natural, owing to the upheaval of Local Government affairs brought about by the Act of 1888, that some time should elapse before the County Records were transferred from the Sessions House, Clerkenwell, to the new home of the Middlesex County Authority at Westminster, and it was not until the early part of the year 1894 that the removal of those records to the Guildhall, Westminster, was completed. Had it not been for the fact that extensive alterations were being carried out at the last named place, including the provision of specially-constructed muniment rooms for the reception of the records in question, the removal would have been completed at an earlier date.

About this time a dispute arose as to who was the lawful custodian of the documents, with the result that, in 1899, the Court of Queen's Bench decided that the Custos Rotulorum of Middlesex, and not the Custos Rotulorum of London, was the legal custodian of the records.*

The County Council of Middlesex had, in 1898, obtained special Parliamentary powers authorising the expenditure of the county funds

* In this action, which was tried before Mr. Justice Bingham, the Duke of Westminster (as *Custos Rotulorum* of the County of London), was plaintiff, and the Duke of Bedford (as *Custos Rotulorum* of Middlesex), defendant.

on the work of repairing, binding, calendaring, and publishing the records; and it is a gratifying fact that, the question of the custody of the records having been determined, little time was lost in exercising the powers obtained. A Sub-Committee of the Standing Joint Committee of County Justices and members of the County Council (of which Sir Richard Nicholson is the Clerk) was appointed to deal with the whole question of the county records; and their repair and binding are being carried on under the able direction of Mr. Douglas Cockerell. A detailed account of what is being done by him appeared in the fifth volume of the "Home Counties' Magazine" at pp. 37–39.

This Sub-Committee above mentioned now consists of:—

Sir Ralph Littler, C.B., K.C., Chairman.
Montagu Sharpe, Esq., D.L.
J. W. Ford, Esq.
Henry Gervis, Esq., M.D.
A. S. Montgomrey, Esq.
Herbert Nield, Esq., and
William Regester, Esq.

Under the same direction I have commenced the work of calendaring the records on a system somewhat different to that followed by the late Mr. J. Cordy Jeaffreson, whose work (in four volumes) was issued a few years ago by the Middlesex County Record Society, and which has thrown such a valuable side-light on the history of London and the county generally.

My plan is to deal with one class of records at a time, instead of making selections, as did Mr. Jeaffreson, from various classes, of the most interesting items. None of his extracts come down so late as 1690, and so, in commencing my work, I decided to begin at that year. The class of documents I selected to deal with is known as the Sessions Books. I continued the calendar to these books—noting every entry, with the exception of lists of names, and I have indicated the positions of these lists in the different volumes—down to 1709, and this is the calendar now printed. Since completing it, and since it was determined to print it, I received directions from

the Committee to continue the calendar back from 1690 to the commencement of the series in 1639, and forwards from 1709 to 1759. I have done these things, and I have quite recently discovered a record of the business at Sessions in a class known as Sessions Registers, which extends from 1607 to 1667, and which fills many gaps in the Sessions Books, between their commencement and the latter of the dates just mentioned. I am now dealing with these registers, and when I have done so we shall have in manuscript a fairly complete record of the Sessions Orders from 1607 to 1759.

I hope that the sale of the present volume will warrant the Committee in printing the earlier and later portions of my calendar. I ought, perhaps, here to explain that in the earlier part of it I have only very briefly referred to those entries which Mr. Jeaffreson has already noted at what appeared to me to be sufficient length, and I have, of course, given in each case a reference to the volume and page of his calendar.

With regard to the arrangement of the Sessions Books, the reader, on consulting the calendar, will observe that it is similar in the case of those which record the proceedings at the Sessions for Middlesex and in those which record the proceedings at the Sessions for Westminster. First come the writs, lists of Justices, and the jury panels; then memoranda as to recognizances and appearances, which, in the case of the Middlesex books, usually occupy between 20 and 30 pages. In the Westminster books the list is not so long, but it is more interesting, as it often gives the charge against the person indicted and his place of residence and occupation. As might be expected, some notable names occur in the lists, both for Middlesex and Westminster, as, for instance, that of Titus Oates, who in January, 1696, is described as of Westminster, and "clerk" (p. 143). After the lists come the orders, all of which are calendared. Following them are usually some notes of committals, sentences, and fines. Then come lists of persons in the New Prison and House of Correction, and then a list, arranged alphabetically, of persons indicted, and referring to the Sessions Rolls, and a similar list of persons entering into recognizances. In some of the later books the names are given of those who took the oath of allegiance. Quite at the end

are rough memoranda of a very miscellaneous description, but sometimes of much interest; anything of an important nature has been indicated in the calendar.

At the date at which the present calendar opens the country as a whole was agitated by rumours of plots against the occupant of the English throne. The Roman Catholics were regarded with suspicion, and we find the Middlesex Magistrates enforcing, with considerable vigour, the Acts against persons of that religion. The search for fire-arms in the houses of prominent Romanists is referred to as early as June, 1690; arms, supposed to belong to Captain Pounds, a Roman Catholic, were seized at the house of Captain Samuel Ely, but the Magistrates finding themselves in error as to the owner, directed the return of the weapons (p. 14). Some years later, in July, 1695, we find the Earl of Cardigan, a reputed papist, allowed to keep certain fire-arms for the defence of his house (p. 136). The Magistrates were careful, by means of addresses and the like, to assure William III and Queen Mary of their zeal in enforcing every measure which tended to their security on the throne. In the autumn of 1690 the Court ordered that—owing to the illegal resort of papists to London and Westminster—all householders, innkeepers, and keepers of livery stables should, within 24 hours, deliver to some neighbouring Justice the name and ordinary place of abode of any lodger or sojourner with them, and of the owner of any horse remaining in their stables (p. 17). After this it was ordered that a list should be made of all persons in the county suspected as dangerous or disaffected to the Government, to the intent that they might be summoned to take the oath of allegiance (p. 37). A long list of suspected papists in Westminster, who refused so to do, appears under the date June, 1692 (pp. 76–79).

Again, in 1696, after the discovery of the Assassination Plot, the Justices, following the example of the House of Commons, entered into and signed an "Association" (pp. 146, 147), professing their allegiance to the King's throne and person; and the leading inhabitants of the county, on their recommendation, did the same (p. 148). The Privy Council had directed a return to be made of all French papists and suspected persons, with information as to whether they

were naturalised or denizised. The Justices instructed the petty constables and headboroughs to go from house to house and collect information for this return (pp. 147 and 149). The oaths were to be tendered to such persons, and on the 30th of April the Privy Council wrote to the Lord Lieutenant requesting him to ascertain the names of those who refused, and to distinguish between such as were papists and such as were protestants (p. 152). In a subsequent letter the Council gave him directions as to the discharge or detention of persons in custody in connection with the same Plot, and, a year later, demanded an account of what had been done in these matters (p. 170).

In regard to Popish schools in the county the Bench was particularly watchful, and when, in 1698, it was informed "that a school for the educating of young women in the Popish religion in the nature of a nunnery" was kept in the house of Mrs. Beddingfield, in Hammersmith, "and that divers Popish priests are sheltered in and near Hammersmith," it was ordered that the high constable of Kensington Division "do make search in Mrs. Beddingfield's house, &c., and apprehend all such women as they find, and such persons as they suspect are Popish priests, and bring them before one of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State" (p. 192). At the same time, upon information being given that "many Popish priests have lately come into the kingdom and are very busy in exercising their functions, which may tend to great inconvenience to the public affairs," the Court directed that on the arrest of any such priest he was to be sent in the custody of a constable to one of the Secretaries of State for examination (*ibid.*).

As to protestants who differed from the Established Church, there is also a great deal in the calendar, and the strength of nonconformity in and around London, at the close of the seventeenth century and the beginning of the eighteenth, is illustrated in a variety of ways—one of them, the frequent licenses granted for holding conventicles. These were generally held in private houses, but we have reference, in 1706, to "Charles Nicholetts, a protestant dissenting minister of the Gospel, who designs to make use of the market house in Shadwell Market for the public worship of God

in a separate congregation, beginning the then next Lord's Day, he being qualified thereto as the law directs" (p. 306). For preaching in an unlicensed conventicle, in 1692, the preacher was convicted (p. 100).

The erection of buildings especially constructed for the religious worship of dissenters had apparently not progressed to any extent, but we have reference to "the Aylesbury Chapel," in the parish of St. James', Clerkenwell (p. 294), and, in 1707, to a chapel then lately erected by Mr. William Baguley, in Great Queen's Street, in the parish of St. Giles'-in-the-Fields. The rector and churchwardens offered opposition to the erection of this building (p. 310). There is also a reference to a Quakers' meeting-house at Tottenham High Cross (p. 43); but, as a rule, the Quakers, like other nonconformists, appear to have met for religious service in private houses. Such meeting places are mentioned in Slaughter's Yard, Wapping; at Edgware, Mill Hill, and at Stoke Newington. Other nonconformist bodies to which reference is made are, Baptists, at Whitecross Alley, in St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, and at Edgware; Anabaptists, at "the Two Blue Balls," in Covent Garden, at Glasshouse Yard, St. Giles', Cripplegate, and Goodman's Fields, Whitechapel; Independents, in Baldwin's Gardens; and Presbyterians, at Meeting-house Alley, Wapping, and at Fulham. Bodies simply described as "Dissenting Protestants" met at "le New Way," in the parish of St. Margaret, Westminster, in Little Newport Street, Westminster, and Crown Court, Shoreditch, and at Hampstead, Enfield, Hackney, Uxbridge, Ealing, Edmonton, Stoke Newington, Harmondsworth, and Bushey Heath.

A considerable amount of the time of the County Bench was occupied in matters connected with provision for the poor. County pensions, of sums varying from £2 to £5 a year, were bestowed on needy seamen and soldiers who had been wounded in action, and were also granted to the ordinary poor, unable to relieve themselves by their own industry. Quite a number of historical events are brought to mind in the applications made for the former class of pensions: one applicant had fought on the "Bonadventure," in the "river of Londonderry," during the memorable siege; another had

been wounded fighting against the French at Martinique; whilst others had been at the battle of Beachy Head, or in the expeditions against Dieppe and Brest. One petitioner, who had fought in many of the wars of Charles II, in the fervour of his claim gets a little out in his genealogy, and refers to that monarch as William III's "royal father." Though, as a rule, these pensions were granted only to ordinary seamen and soldiers, we have two instances of their being bestowed on naval lieutenants.

The ordinary poor in receipt of pensions seem to have been entitled to augment their incomes by begging within the bounds of their own parishes, but it is quite evident that they were not content with these narrow limits. In 1694 the Court was informed that great numbers of male and female county pensioners begged in parishes other than their own; it was therefore ordered by the Justices that the churchwardens and overseers of the different parishes should provide for their "pension" poor a distinctive badge, made of some durable metal, which was to be worn at the end of the left sleeve of the pensioner's "outmost garment." The pensions of those refusing to wear these badges were to be forthwith stopped, and not to be renewed until compliance had been made with the rule (p. 124). A curious case on this point arose in 1705: the overseers of St. Andrew's, Holborn, had stopped the pension of Mary Edwardes, allowed to her for the relief of her impotent child, because the said Mary did not wear the badge. The Court held that as the child, for whom the pension was allowed, duly wore the badge, the pension should be continued (p. 291).

With regard to the education of the poor, there was, of course, no organised effort on the part of the county. Whatever was done was the outcome of private charity; yet a curious light on the question is thrown by some of the entries now calendared. Students of Mr. Jeaffreson's Calendar will remember that under the Act 13 and 14 Charles II, a body, known as "the Governors of the Corporation of the Poor," had, in 1663 (Jeaffreson, vol. iii, pp. 331 and 357), erected a workhouse at Clerkenwell for certain London parishes, the theory being that the inmates (all save 100 impotent folk, who were to be therein housed and fed) should support themselves

by their own labour. The thing proved a failure, and the building fell into decay before 1675. A portion of it was afterwards let, at a rental of £30 a year, to Sir Thomas Rowe, to be converted into a "College" for the education of poor infants (to be sent to it by the overseers of the different parishes) in the protestant religion (pp. 13 and 296, 297).

Sir Thomas Rowe died in 1696, and the following year we find that his scholars—or "inventory," as the order terms them—60 in number, had moved, under the care of one Isaac Adams, into what was doubtless considered the more salubrious air of the parish of Hornsey. But the compliment to their parish was not altogether appreciated by the careful overseers of Hornsey, who appealed to the Magistrates for some security that the children brought with Adams should not, in the future, become chargeable to them. The Court directed that Adams should furnish a list of all the children he had brought with him, and state the parish from which each child had come; and that he should, in the future, furnish to the overseers similar particulars in regard to any fresh arrivals. Adams was also to give a security to indemnify the parish of Hornsey for the charge of maintenance or provision. An interesting feature in this order is that it empowers the parish officers, from time to time, to inspect Adams' house and its inmates (p. 165).

The insane poor were supported in private houses by a specially raised rate, or they were confined in "Bedlam," or, in the case of Westminster, in the House of Correction, in Tothill Fields (pp. 21, 22).

The provision for the impotent poor in parochial almshouses seems to have been in the mind of the authorities of Ealing, for, in 1701, they petitioned the Magistrates for liberty to repair and use a building, situated "on a waste piece of ground belonging to the parish," that would accommodate eight poor people. They urged that by so doing they would save the parish £12 a year. Leave was thereupon given to raise, by rate, the £50 required for the repair of the building, the original use of which is not stated (p. 229). Two years later the churchwardens of Twickenham were authorised to build, on the Lower Common, at the cost of the parish, a fit and convenient dwelling-house for the use of its "impotent

poor" (p. 265). Almshouses are mentioned in 1696, in the parish of St. Anne, Westminster, and in 1704 in that of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, for widows dependent on parish relief.

A very large proportion of the entries in the calendar deals with the relieving and "passing" of pauper vagrants, and the question of actual legal settlement was a matter constantly before the Court in actions brought by one parish against another. The cost of "passing" vagrants was, of course, considerable. The vagrancy laws, which inflicted grievous whippings on the wandering poor of both sexes, and which, as we have seen by the earlier volumes of the Calendar of Middlesex Records were so vigorously enforced in the county, seem, during the period now dealt with, hardly to have been put in execution; though, as we shall presently notice, the lash was considered a salutary corrective for men or women who had been convicted of various offences. Indeed, it can have been no uncommon sight of the London streets to meet a cart, led solemnly along, behind which was tied a man or woman "stripped naked from the middle up," whose bare back the parish officer belaboured till, in the words of the sentence, it was "bloody."

The calendar is very full of references to apprentices. Indentures of apprenticehood were enrolled with the Clerk of the Peace, and a good many are entered in the Sessions Books. These documents often provide useful genealogical information, and also furnish quaint evidence as to what our ancestors considered needful for their children to learn at the school of apprenticeship. For instance, girls were apprenticed to learn the art or mystery of "keeping a linen-shop," of becoming "a child's coat maker," of "washing point and gauze," and of "housewifery"; and boys "the art of fencing."

Apprentices could not be released from their indentures without an order of the Court, and we constantly find the Magistrates occupied in dealing with applications from apprentices to be released from their masters or mistresses, and, occasionally, masters and mistresses praying to be freed from their apprentices. In both instances the complaints were sometimes trivial, but more often real ground for complaint evidently existed, and in these cases the Magistrates were not slow to execute judgment and to cancel

the indentures. The charges brought by apprentices against their masters were chiefly neglect of teaching, neglect of creature comforts, immoderate correction, or other forms of cruelty, and overwork. We have the complaint of a boy apprenticed to learn the art of a surgeon who was compelled by his master to be a "tumbler, rope-dancer, and jack-pudding" (p. 140). Another, apprenticed to learn the art of a surgeon, was carried away to sea and made a cabin-boy. In one instance, indentures were cancelled because the master was a Jacobite; in another, because it was shown that the master's wife had several times induced the apprentice to attend mass in the chapel of the Portuguese Ambassador (p. 300); in another, in 1709, because the apprentice, who had been brought up as a papist, and was apprenticed to a master holding the same faith, conformed to the Anglican Church; he was thenceforward ill-used by his master, who had been very kind to him previously (p. 347). Some appealed for release of their indentures on the ground that their masters or mistresses were dead, or were prisoners for debt, and thus unable to perform their part of the contract. It was a common occurrence in the neighbourhood of Shadwell for the master of a lad, apprenticed to the sea, to abscond. The liberties of Whitefriars and the Temple occasionally afforded sanctuary to defaulting masters (pp. 115, 141, and 230).

The charges brought by masters or mistresses against their apprentices were mainly of idleness or trivial dishonesty, though there were occasionally complaints of a more serious nature.

Other grounds on which apprenticeships were declared void were non-enrolment of the deed, or the fact that the apprentice's indentures had been entered into without the consent of his father or legal guardian, or that they were for a period of less than seven years.

The system of apprenticing pauper children, by the parishes to which they belonged, led to a good many disputes which came before the Magistrates for decision, and there are several instances of masters and mistresses refusing to accept such apprentices; sometimes the objections were allowed, but, oftener, they were dismissed as frivolous, and the unwilling master or mistress was provided with a parochial apprentice for seven years.

With regard to the punishments inflicted by the Court for the various offences which came before it there is not much to be said. We do not get any instances of the terrible penalty for standing mute which Mr. Jeaffreson's Calendars show had been inflicted by the Middlesex Bench so late as the reign of Charles II, but the pillory and whippings were chastisements inflicted on men and women with considerable frequency. The time for which persons were sentenced to stand upon the pillory was generally one hour, and this hour between 10 in the morning and noon. A paper, stating the culprit's offence, would be placed over his or her head, or affixed to his or her breast. Pillories stood at or near the following places :— The Maypole, in the Strand; Catherine Street, near Eagle Court, in St. Mary-le-Savoy ; the New Exchange, in the Strand ; the Fountain Tavern, in the same thoroughfare ; Covent Garden ; "Bow Street end"; Charing Cross; St. James's Street ; New Palace Yard ; Stanhope Street, Clare Market ; Bloomsbury Market ; Fuller's Rents or Gray's Inn gateway in Holborn ; at "the great gates" of Hick's Hall ; and at Ratcliffe Cross, or the Sun Tavern in Ratcliffe Highway. In the rural parts of the county we have mention of pillories in New Brentford Market Place and at Twickenham.

Whipping-posts are mentioned in Holborn, where there were also stocks, and at Kensington, and Cow Cross. But whippings were, as already mentioned, more often inflicted at the cart's tail from some given point to another ; the locality selected had, no doubt, some special applicability to the culprit's offence.

A somewhat remarkable punishment was inflicted by the Bench in 1704 on Elizabeth Staines, the wife of a coachman, who pleaded guilty of an assault on Mr. John Howard. The Court ordered her "to make a submissive and public acknowledgment of the said offence in the open market at Brentford, where she gave the abuse to the said Mr. Howard, and to ask his pardon there, which Mr. Howard is willing to accept in regard to the poverty of John Staines, the husband" (p. 275).

With regard to the condition of the prisons wholly in the possession of the county, or those to which county prisoners were committed, we learn a good deal from the present calendar. At

Newgate the state of affairs was abominable, and in 1702 the debtors set forth, in a petition to the Bench, the miseries and ill-treatment they suffered (pp. 244 and 245). The report of the Magistrates appointed to enquire into the matter shows that the petitioners' story was correct, and a series of regulations were drawn up for the better government of the prison (pp. 247, 248). Had these been carried out, the sufferings of the prisoners would have been alleviated, but they were not. A second appeal was made to the Bench in 1707, in which it was shown that the previous order of the Court had not been observed (p. 317). This further petition was referred to certain Justices for report, and their report, when received, was laid before the Lord Mayor, Aldermen, and Sheriffs of London (p. 320), and this is the last we hear of the matter in the present volume.

One of the great abuses in Newgate seems to have been the extortion of "garnish" money, which if prisoners—were they male or female—could not, or would not, pay, led to stripping, beating, and confinement in a dungeon known as "Tangier."

The House of Correction at Clerkenwell was a building near the New Prison, erected at the cost of the county (pp. 2–3). The inmates of this house complained, in 1698, that, by reason of the small quantity of food allowed, two of their number had "been starved to death"; and they also complained of being detained as prisoners, after the expiry of their terms of imprisonment, for refusing to pay fees which could not be legally demanded. The matter was referred to certain Justices, who reported, giving instances of the detention as to which complaint was made, and stating that "when Captain Jones was keeper the prisoners had flesh on Mondays and Thursdays, and about a pennyworth of bread a day, and also meal pottage, water gruel, or pease pottage every day." This dietary was at first followed by the then keeper, but he had reduced the allowance of meat to one day a week, though he had lately—probably on knowledge of the enquiry—returned to the former allowance (p. 191). But, as at Newgate, so at the House of Correction, things drifted back when the keeper thought it safe to return to his evil ways. In 1709 the Justices had before them a complaint from the inmates of the House of Correction who had suffered greatly "during

the late hard frost," and six of them had nearly died of starvation (p. 342). Their neighbours in the New Prison also complained, in the same year, of the exactions of the keeper (p. 345), who had not allowed prisoners to buy any food except through him, and who had extorted fees above those authorised by law (p. 347). He was dismissed and a new keeper appointed.

In 1705 we have reference to the fact that a prisoner in the Marshalsea had been almost starved to death, and had been so weakened by his confinement there that he was incapacitated from thereafter earning his own livelihood (p. 281).

It is probable that much of the evil in the administration of prisons arose from the fact that the keepers, in effect, "farmed" these prisons of the county. In 1690 the keeper of the New Prison complained of the great diminution in his perquisites, and of his consequent inability to answer his rent, by reason of the numerous commitments to other prisons in the county, "proper only for the detention of debtors" (p. 4).

The question of licensing was one which occupied a considerable amount of the Justices' attention at the period covered by this volume of the calendar, and the difficulties in regard to it experienced by the Middlesex Justices at the time of William III and Queen Anne will doubtless be appreciated by their successors of the present day. Licenses—we are speaking, of course, of alehouse or tavern keepers' licenses—were, as a rule, suppressed (in two instances, only for a limited period) for ill-rule, for allowing "tippling" at unreasonable hours, or for permitting it on "the Lord's Day," during the hours of Divine service. Various devices were practised by the owners of such houses to defeat the operation of the law, and it was no uncommon occurrence for an individual whose license had been suppressed to obtain surreptitiously, or "by surprize," a renewal of that license from a Magistrate in some distant part of the county. Thomas Charlesworth, of Leman Street, Whitechapel, whose license had been suppressed and renewed under these circumstances, had the temerity to put over his sign this couplet:—

> "Here I doe dwell in my own defence,
> Noe rogues nor knaves shall ever drive me hence."

The Justices, as a whole, naturally regarded the expression "rogues or knaves" as intended to apply to themselves, and ordered the inscription to be obliterated, and, if not done, the license was to be recalled (p. 340). This order shows a remarkable moderation on the part of the Bench, and a further illustration of the liberal spirit in which that body acted in regard to the suppression of licenses is furnished by the fact that in those cases where the Magistrates felt in duty bound to order the suppression of a license, such suppression was not to take effect till the alehouse-keeper had had sufficient time to draw off the stock of liquor he had laid in.

Some of the special reasons given for the suppression of licenses are interesting. Thus, in 1692, those of some dozen persons, who were the sheriff's bailiffs, were suppressed, when it was found that their abodes were "common spunging houses," in which they detained their prisoners several days contrary to law (p. 85). In 1703 the license of the King's Head, in Albemarle Street, was, on the vote of the majority of the Magistrates, suppressed, on the charge, primarily, that the owner had refused entertainment to a soldier billeted on him (p. 260).

The number of alehouses throughout the county was a matter of evident concern to the Justices, and we find that, in 1695, an application for a new license in Hoxton was refused on account of the great number of licensed houses already established there. The house in question had "never before been used as a victualling house, but always inhabited" by "citizens of good worth, or gentlemen" (p. 132).

We do not know how far the "music house" was equivalent to the modern music hall, but it was certainly, at the period of the calendar, combined, as a rule, with the alehouse, and evidently not regarded with much favour by the Justices. In 1693 the license of a victualler, who kept a disorderly "ale and music house" near Lamb's Conduit Fields, was ordered to be suppressed (p. 96). There is a note, under the date 1701, that the Mitre Music House is to be indicted (p. 235), and a little earlier in the same year the constables had been directed to be very diligent in the search for those who kept, and those who haunted, disorderly houses, "particularly music houses, which tend only to the debauching of persons

frequenting them" (p. 226). Lastly, in April, 1702 (p. 241), comes the drastic order that no music houses be licensed!

The due observance of Sunday was also a subject in which the Bench took an evident interest. Stimulated by the Queen's letter on the subject, written in July, 1691, the Magistrates ordered that there be printed and affixed to the great gates of Hicks Hall, and to the doors of all churches and "other public places" in every parish, a special notice against "all prophanation of the Lord's Day, by people travelling, selling or exposing anything to sale by exercise of their ordinary callings thereon, or by using any other vain imployments or sports, and especially by tipling thereon, or on any part thereof, and neglecting the worship and service of God, and also against the odious and loathsome sin of drunkennesse, and against all houses of debauchery and evill fame" (p. 49).

Not all that was hoped of it, came of this proclamation—if we may term it so: "the rash and unadvised actings" of several persons, "pretending great zeal," had resulted in the issue of the illegal and irregular convictions of "a multitude of innocent persons" for exercising their ordinary calling on the Lord's Day, without their being even summoned, or afforded an opportunity of explanation, whereby it might have appeared whether what they had done were "works of charity or necessity." To remedy this, "and to the end so religious an intention may not miscarry," the Court, in January, 1692, declared that no conviction should be made before a warrant or summons from a Justice of the Peace had been served on an accused person, which summons would be delivered free to any person requiring the same; and further, for the better encouragement of parish officers in searching for and observing profanations of the Lord's Day, the Justices gave notice that, on request from any such officer to a Justice resident in his parish, such Justice would go with him "in person" and search the suspected house. Informers were promised encouragement, and every alehouse-keeper duly convicted was not only to forfeit 10*s.*, but also to have his license suppressed for three years (pp. 64, 65). We do not hear again of the matter till February, 1698, when "victuallers, innholders, coffee-sellers, vintners, brandy-sellers, &c.," were directed to forbear

entertaining company on the Lord's Day, "excepting those persons allowed by law"; and "butchers, poulterers, fruiterers, barbers, and other persons" were forbidden to expose any of their goods for sale "on Sunday next or on any Sunday following." The King's proclamation against swearing and immorality was recited, special diligence being ordered in the search for offenders against it, "particularly on the Lord's Day" (p. 181).

In the following February we find a direction for putting into execution the orders made for the better observance of the Lord's Day (p. 195); and then, in the next year (1700), attention was drawn to the general observance of Sunday throughout the county. The Court held that churchwardens and other parish officers were very remiss in putting into execution the laws respecting profanation of the Lord's Day, and ordered all persons concerned to be more diligent in that respect. Attention was also called to idle persons who "go about in the footpaths and public streets . . . . with wheelbarrows, wherein they carry oranges, apples, nuts, and other wares, and expose them to sale, and carry and use dice to encourage passengers and others to play for such their goods, and other unlawful games." Further attention was directed to disorderly persons, both men and women, who wandered about "singing and publishing obscene ballads and other licentious books and pamphlets, drawing crowds of people, and which are the occasion of picking of pockets, affrays, and riots, disturbing the peace, and corrupting of youth." The summary arrest of all such persons was enjoined (p. 218).

After the accession of Queen Anne we find a special order for putting into force the laws "for the observance of the Lord's Day in accordance with her majesty's proclamation" (pp. 237 and 240).

Pressing for the army and navy was evidently being carried out with vigour during the years covered by the calendar, the wars in which both William III and Anne were engaged, necessitating an active replenishment of the depleted forces. In January, 1705, the Privy Council requested the Justices to assist in raising recruits (p. 279), and in the April following a certain number of Justices sat daily in St. Martin's Vestry to carry out the provisions of the Recruiting Act (p. 283). Again, at the close of that year, the Council

recommended to the Justices the "vigorous execution" of the Act for raising recruits for the land forces and marines in order to enable the Government "early to enter upon action next spring" (p. 293). A similar application was made by the Council at the close of the following year (p. 307).

In the spring of 1708 a reward of 20*s.* was offered by the Government to any parish officer who should bring a person before the Magistrates to be enlisted; and the ranks of the army were also to be filled up by volunteers. Every person who voluntarily entered the service was to receive a gratuity of £5, and to have his discharge at the end of three years if he should desire it (p. 324).

In February, 1695, the Court directed the release of a person who had been forced by Captain Edward Taylor "to take 12 pence for enlisting as a soldier": it held that the recruit had been "oppressed," and that, not being qualified as a seaman, he ought not to be impressed as a soldier (p. 128). Again, in 1704, the Court prayed the release of the son of "a gentleman of above £500 a year," who had apparently been enlisted—partly, perhaps, as a joke—by an over-zealous lieutenant in the Welsh Fusiliers, with whom he had been drinking (p. 268).

Another recruiting ground for both services was the debtors' prison. An insolvent debtor, owing less than £100, might obtain his release on enlisting (p. 269). If his debt were over that amount his request to be discharged to the army or navy was refused (p. 277). A sheriff's officer, who had refused to release from prison a debtor willing to enter the service, was fined £10, but the fine was remitted on it being shown that the application had not been made in form (pp. 282 and 284). Not only debtors were allowed to terminate their imprisonment by enlistment; Robert Dale, who in 1696 was "convicted of a trespass and false imprisonment," was, after being pilloried, sentenced to a month's imprisonment in the New Prison, unless he should in the meantime "voluntarily list himself as a soldier" (p. 151).

The vexed question of billeting or quartering occupied a good deal of the Justices' attention. In January, 1690, they, in accordance with the Act of Parliament, settled the prices which soldiers should pay to the owners of inns, livery stables, and alehouses for their diet

and the baiting of their horses; and the chief constables were thereupon ordered to furnish the Magistrates with the names of all those who were liable to quarter soldiers, with an exact account of the number, both horse and foot, which each house was capable of receiving. The Magistrates further ordered that such officers as were obliged to provide soldiers' quarters should, in the first place, assign such quarters to the houses most fit for their reception, in proportion with "other of less receipt, having a consideration of those persons who keep houses liable by the said Act to quarter soldiers who are poor and not able to provide beds for their accommodation" (p. 4).

In October, 1697, on the expected return of the Horse Guards and other troops from Flanders, who were to be accommodated in and about London, the Magistrates ordered the constables to make lists of suitable inns and livery stables (p. 175).

The actual charges allowed by the Magistrates to be made by innkeepers in respect of quarter, were settled in April, 1702, and were as follows:—For a commissioned officer of horse, under the degree of captain, for diet and small beer, 2/- a day; for an officer of dragoons, under the degree of captain, diet, small beer, and hay and straw for his horse, 1/- a day; for a commissioned officer on foot, under the degree of captain, for diet and small beer, 1/- a day; if the officer has a horse or horses, for each horse 6*d.* a day; for a light horseman's diet, small beer, and hay and straw for his horse, 1/- a day; for a dragoon's diet, small beer, and hay and straw for his horse, 9*d.* a day; for a foot soldier, diet and small beer, 4*d.* a day (p. 239).

But despite these arrangements, disputes as to matters connected with the quartering of soldiers sometimes occurred. A petition from the innkeepers of Westminster in regard to quartering the Earl of Oxford's regiment of horse was dismissed as groundless in 1694 (pp. 123, 124). Payment for quarters was, we know, often neglected, and, in 1694, £119 is mentioned as owing to various persons in Staines for quartering Captain Fletcher's troop of horse in Colonel Coy's regiment (p. 112). In 1695 a further claim of the inhabitants of that place was made for unpaid quarters (p. 127). When, in the spring of 1703, the foot guards were about to be quartered in

various London parishes, Queen Anne especially directed that the officers should "take care that the soldiers behave themselves civilly, and duly pay their landlords." The Magistrates and their officers were to assist, in all ways, in providing quarters (p. 257).

In the matter of recruiting the needs of the navy were quite as urgent as those of the army. In 1691 the Court directed that the constables should make a list "of all mariners and seafaring men in their respective districts, together with their ages, places of abode, and whether they are at home or abroad." These lists were to be sent to the Commissioners of the Customs, for the more speedy and sufficient supply for the furnishing of their Majesties' fleet with able and sufficient seamen and mariners (p. 27). It is well known that the riverside taverns, and other riverside houses, formed hiding-places for seamen unwilling to serve in the navy, and how the merchants and traders were ready to lend their aid in sheltering mariners, whom they so greatly needed for the conduct of their trade with foreign ports. We are not surprised, therefore, to find that, in 1695, the Court detected that many beadles and headboroughs who kept alehouses, sheltered in such houses seamen liable to be pressed for the fleet, "when His Majesty requires them for his service" (p. 129). A year later, in February, 1696, the Council directed the Justices to order the constables "to take up for the fleet all seafaring men who abscond or cannot give a good account of themselves." As an encouragement, each constable was to receive an allowance of 10/- from the Navy Board for every absconding sailor placed on board any of the King's ships or tenders before the 10th of the following April (p. 147). Similar directions were issued in 1701 (p. 226).

In 1703 the Bench was directed to give orders for the "capture" of all "straggling seamen" (p. 259); and in 1709, on a complaint of the Earl of Sunderland, Secretary of State, the Clerk of the Peace informed the head constables of the county that several seamen impressed had been sent into the army instead of the other service (p. 352).

The salutary discipline of the navy was appreciated by the Justices, who in 1694 delivered a "pilfering boy," aged 14, then in prison at Clerkenwell, to some officer belonging to one of their

Majesties' ships, "whereby he may be able to get an honest livelihood" (p. 117).

The value of many of the entries in the calendar, from a topographical point of view, needs, perhaps, a word in the Preface. The names of signs, and references to streets, new and already existing, abound. The spread of London, outside the limits of the City, north of the highway from Temple Bar to Westminster, and west of the Haymarket, had begun, and we find it illustrated in the orders to pave newly-made streets, as well as existing thoroughfares (which had only just ceased to be "country" roads), so far as buildings extended on either side of the way. The "village" of Kensington, too, by an eastward expansion, was creeping on to touch the western extension of London. East of the eastern limits of the City, building operations had been in progress for more than a century; but even there the growth of commerce and of the docks and quays on the Thames was populating the eastern villages and joining them with the Metropolis itself. As to the care and repair of London streets, their watch and ward, and their lighting, the calendar has also much to tell us. In 1691, after the first Act which dealt with the lighting of the London streets, the Court ordered that every householder whose house adjoined a road, or was in close proximity to it, should display a lighted lantern on the outside of his residence "as it shall grow dark," and keep the same alight till midnight (p. 27).

A few months later the Court was informed that several householders neglected this duty, and that the "patentees,"* who set up the lamps by agreement with the householders, placed them too far apart (p. 50). Certain persons evidently refused either to hang out lights at their own expense or to pay their shares to the "partners" for keeping up the lights. The Court ordered the payment of penalties by defaulters, and also declared that all public passages and thoroughfares in and about the town, comprised within the bills of mortality, ought to be esteemed streets (p. 111).

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* The proprietors of the Convex lamp lights, who had letters patent for their invention. Cal. State Papers, Domestic, Will. & Mary, 1691–2, p. 386.

We hear of the matter again as late as 1705, where the streets and lanes of Spitalfields had been lit partly with the convex lights and partly with other glass lamps. Great confusion had consequently arisen, and behind that confusion many of the inhabitants had sheltered themselves and avoided paying their penalties for not exhibiting lights, "sometimes pretending that they contribute to one kind and sometimes to the other kind." The matter was referred to certain Justices resident in the locality, who were to examine and report how the streets were lighted (p. 281).

With regard to watch and ward of the streets it is, from the entries in the calendar, rather difficult to decide whether or not the arrangements were at all adequate; but the perpetration of a robbery in any particular locality generally led to an order by the Bench for a stricter guard of the streets in that locality, both by day and night. A fruitful source of danger—which we find the Court active in combatting—was the practice of workmen leaving in the streets at night the ladders on which they had been working during the day.

There are, in the calendar, several interesting entries as to watch and ward; one goes into much detail in regard to the watchman's beat in Whitechapel (p. 252); another shows that the care of the Strand between Temple Bar and Salisbury House was committed to four "able and sufficient warders," who were to be placed "at convenient stands" as soon as the "candles" were lit (p. 27); whilst a third refers to a special guard of the road between Bow and Mile End for the better security of travellers from the attacks of highwaymen who lurked in and about Bearbinder Lane (p. 96). Watch houses are mentioned for several localities. These had occasionally been allowed to fall into decay by parochial neglect, and—as in the following case, in 1694—the aid of the county Bench was invoked: "Upon the petition of divers of the inhabitants of the liberty of East Smithfield, in the parish of St. Botolph Without Aldgate, showing that they, being destitute of a watch house for the said liberty, have been forced to make use of a public house, which produces many inconveniences, the watchmen being often overtaken in drink, and that the lord of the manor has granted a lease of a piece of ground at the upper end of the first street of East Smithfield, where a middle

row of houses are rebuilding, near the place where the former watch house stood; it is ordered that the inhabitants be at liberty to erect a convenient watch house there" (p. 119).

In the matter of rights of way, the up-keep of bridges, the deviation of roads, and other matters of what we may term current importance, because they now often occupy the attention of the County Council, the calendar has a good deal to say. Of Chertsey Bridge we hear much; there was an interesting dispute as to the liability to repair Colnbrook Bridge in 1691 (p. 28), and we find the Justices, in 1707, so solicitous as to the care of Brentford Bridge that, during the summer months, they set up posts and chains at either end, in order that carts and carriages might be forced to use the ford, the bridge itself being reserved for foot passengers (p. 317).

The attitude of the Bench in regard to fairs is shown by several entries: "Greengoose" Fair, at Stratford-le-Bow and Bromley, caused an annoyance in consequence of the booths and sheds erected along the high road to Romford (p. 342); "Rag Fair" is referred to, in an order made in 1700, as a riotous and unlawful assembly in Rosemary Lane, Whitechapel, "for the buying and selling of old goods, wearing apparel, and other things, greatly suspected to be stolen" (p. 211); Hendon Fair, held at "Burrows Green" in 1697, brought together "a concourse of disorderly persons" (p. 170); and May Fair—which Pennant, writing in 1805, could himself remember as a gathering at which there was "every enticement to low pleasure"—was certainly productive of a good deal of trouble, though its theatrical features, on which Pennant dwells, are not particularly mentioned. If they existed at the period of the calendar we can well understand the Bench's objection to the fair, for the attitude of that body towards the drama was certainly hostile. In the case of Hampstead, whose growing fame as a health resort had led to the establishment of a theatre, the Middlesex Magistrates took singularly drastic measures: they directed the petty constables and headboroughs of the town to apprehend the players that they might be duly punished as rogues, vagabonds, and sturdy beggars—that is to say, stripped naked from the middle upwards and beaten on their backs till they were bloody (p. 346).

Lotteries and gaming houses were viewed by the Bench much in the light of theatres, and we find throughout the calendar a persistent endeavour to check what the Magistrates evidently regarded as a danger to public morals. Some interesting details are given of the measures taken, in February, 1698, with regard to "an unlawful assembly, called the Redoubt, after the Venetian manner, kept at Exeter Change in the Strand, and carried on by persons unknown, who, by printed tickets, give notice of games that are not lawful and tend very much to encourage all manner of vice and debauchery." Those who frequented it went masked and disguised (p. 181). What exactly was done in the matter we do not learn, but the Court ordered the high constables of Westminster and Holborn, "with all the petty constables," to meet on a certain day at Exeter Change, to preserve the peace and arrest the managers (*ibid.*). A note informs us that the "Redoubt" was duly suppressed, and that its suppression cost the county 25*s.*, which was expended at the Fountain Tavern. One item in the account (which, by the way, adds up to 25*s.* 5*d.*) is to the "drawer" (p. 182). Was this a "tip" to him who drew the ale, or was it a wisely-bestowed inducement to an official of the lottery to supply useful information?

Amongst the entries of a miscellaneous character may be noted the petition of the Justices, in 1691, that the number of paid members of the Bench might be increased (p. 37); and a curious request made by one Peter Joyce, in 1695, for exemption from serving a parochial office to which he had presumably been recently elected. The entry reads as follows:—"Petition of Joseph Joyce, esquire, of Stepney Parish, praying to be discharged from serving as overseer of the poor of Mile End New Town, for the following reasons:—He has been employed in the Island of Nevis for ten or twelve years as King's Counsel and Justice of the Peace, and has held highest rank in military affairs; he has lived in Mile End Hamlet about three years, and has now a family of whites and blacks in the said island of one hundred and ten persons, and that he is here for the despatch of his affairs in England, and is suddenly returning to Nevis. Order that the petitioner be discharged" (p. 133).

There are many other points of interest in the calendar to which I should have liked to draw attention, but I fear making this Preface of inordinate length. I sincerely hope that—as I said at the outset—the student of London life and manners in the past will show his appreciation of the material made available for him by the Standing Joint Committee of the County Justices and County Council, and so warrant that body in printing the remainder of the calendar which I have compiled to the Sessions Books. I trust also that, in conclusion, I may be permitted to tender my warm thanks to all members of the Committee—especially to Sir Ralph Littler, C.B., K.C. (the Chairman), Mr. Montagu Sharpe, D.L., and Mr. E. S. W. Hart, of the Clerk of the Peace Office—for their constant help and advice. My thanks are also due to Miss Constance Toulmin for her assistance in classifying the very varied material in the calendar for the purpose of the Preface ; and I am sure all who consult the index will appreciate the skill and patience exhibited by Miss M. Dorothy Brakspear in compiling it.

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Order that John Graves pay to Sara, the wife of Anthony Graves, his son, 2/- weekly for her maintenance until he produce the said Anthony, who, by the means of the said John, has absented himself from his wife ... p. 41

Upon the petition of Dame Phillippa Keelyng, widow, showing that she is an inhabitant of a tenement in Leather Lane, St. Andrew's, Holborn, which tenement is valued at £16 yearly, and that she is rated at 7/6 quarterly to the assessment for the poor, which is 6/- a quarter more than the late tenant paid, and praying that the assessment might be reduced, it is ordered that the rate be reduced to 3/- a quarter ... ... *ibid.*

Dispute between the churchwardens and overseers of Richmond Parish and those of Hampton Wick, in the parish of Hampton, concerning the legal settlement of Hannah Turner, an impotent person; the said Hannah being last legally settled as the hired servant of one ——— Armstrong in Hampton Wick, it is ordered that the churchwardens and overseers there do provide for the said Hannah ... ... p. 42

Dispute between the churchwardens of the town of Hampton and those of the poor of Hampton Wick in the parish of Hampton, concerning the legal settlement of Joseph Dixon with his wife and child, now chargeable to Hampton

Town: the said Joseph being last legally settled in Hampton Wick, it is ordered that he and his family be removed to Hampton Wick aforesaid, the churchwardens and overseers of which parish are required to receive and provide for them ... ... p. 42

Upon a hearing of the matters in difference between Daniel Atkins, of the parish of St. Paul's, Shadwell, ropemaker, and Daniel Hecktolls, his apprentice, it appears that the said Atkins has barbarously beaten and abused his said apprentice. It is ordered that Hecktolls be absolutely freed and discharged from his said master and from his indenture of apprenticehood, and that his parents have liberty to place him with any other master to be instructed in the said trade and serve the residue of his term. It is further ordered that the said Atkins pay the said Hecktolls 40/- towards "fitting him out to another master," and deliver up his apparel, and his indenture of apprenticehood to be cancelled ... ... p. 43

Upon a hearing of the matters in difference between Susanna Shippey, of Mile End, Stepney, widow, and Ann Taylor, daughter of John Taylor, of the said parish, her apprentice, touching the discharge of the said apprentice from her indenture of apprenticehood. It appears the said Ann has often defrauded her mistress of her goods and sold them for less than cost price. It is ordered that the said Susanna be "freed and discharged of and from her said apprentice," and the said John Taylor is required to receive and provide for the said Ann, his daughter... ... ... *ibid.*

At the General Sessions of the Peace held, by adjournment, the 13th of December last [1689] it was ordered that all former orders made for the erecting of any watch-house upon the hill near Cowcross in St. Sepulchre's parish, and all proceedings thereupon should be discharged and vacated. This Court, being informed by the inhabitants of the said hill that the other inhabitants of the said parish thought themselves not obliged to obey the said order for vacating the former orders, the same not being made at a General Quarter Sessions of the Peace, orders that the said recited orders for vacating the said former orders be ratified and confirmed by the authority of this Court, and requires the parishioners and all others concerned therein to yield due obedience ... ... p. 44

Dispute between the churchwardens of the parish of St. Giles-in-the-Fields and those of St. Margaret's, Westminster, concerning the legal settlement of Katherine Manning, widow, and her three children, chargeable to the parish of St. Giles; the said Katherine being last settled in St. Margaret's parish, it is ordered that she and her children be conveyed to the said parish of St. Margaret's, and left with the churchwardens of the poor there ... ... p. 45

Upon the petition of Joseph Flower showing that he continued and served the office of headborough of Holborn End division in the parish of St. Giles'-in-the-Fields for the year 1688, during which time he disbursed 18/1, which sum remains unpaid, it is ordered that the present constables, headboroughs, and beadles of the said parish, with those who served for the year last past, do attend the next Petty Sessions to be held for Holborn Division, and there produce their books of rates and disbursements; and the Justices are desired to make such order for reimbursing the said Joseph the sum of 18/1 as to them shall seem most meet ... ... p. 46

The Court being informed by Thomas Hariott, J.P., that, as the maimed soldiers in this county are decreased to a small number, there is sufficient in the treasurers' hands to pay them their full pensions, it is ordered that William Turner, treasurer, within the hundreds of Ossulston, Edmonton, and Gore, do, out of such moneys collected by and remaining in his hands for the relief of the maimed soldiers, pay to those named in a schedule annexed the several sums therein mentioned, for the quarter ending at Christmas last; the said sums to be paid quarterly as they grow due, until further order therein ... ... p. 47

(List of 25 names, with the amounts, follow.)

A similar order issued to Richard Rice, gentleman, treasurer for the maimed soldiers within the hundreds of Elthorn, Spelthorn, and Isleworth. Names of pensioners given ... ... p. 48

Order for the appearance of Mr. Robert Hardisty, one of the attorneys at the Court of King's Bench, for the inhabitants of Ossulton Hundred at the suit of William Bird, for a robbery committed upon him in the said hundred ... ... *ibid.*

The petition of John Rowell, showing that Thomas Cordell, his nephew, was, by indenture dated "on or about" the 18th of March, 1688, bound as an apprentice to Edward Nutt, of St. Ann's, Westminster, baker, for seven years, and that £3 10*s.* 0*d.* was paid to the said Nutt, and bond given for £3 more, payable in March then following; the said Nutt, six months after he had taken the said Cordell, left his trade and has taken no care to instruct his said apprentice. The petitioner praying the said apprentice might be discharged from his apprenticeship, it was ordered that Nutt should attend the Court to show cause why the said Cordell should not be discharged. The said Nutt not appearing, it was ordered that the said apprentice be absolutely freed and discharged from his said master, the said John Rowell being at liberty to place the said Cordell with any other person to learn the trade of a baker. It is further ordered that the said Nutt deliver up the said apprentice's apparel and his indenture of apprenticehood, to be cancelled ... ... p. 49

The petition of Samuel Tatty, senior, of Whitechapel, husbandman, showing that his son Samuel Tatty became an apprentice to George Lovejoy, of Whitechapel, smith, for seven years, and that the said apprentice upon the complaint of his master, was committed to Bridewell last December, where he received correction; upon his discharge from prison he returned to his master and offered to serve the residue of his apprenticehood, which offer the said master refused. The petitioner prays that the said apprentice be discharged. It was ordered that the said George Lovejoy should attend the Court this day, the 18th of January, to show cause why the said apprentice should not be discharged of his apprenticehood. Upon the non-attendance of the said Lovejoy it is ordered that the said apprentice be discharged from his master, and that Samuel Tatty, senior, be at liberty to place his son elsewhere to be instructed in the trade of smith. The said Lovejoy is ordered to deliver up the said apprentice's apparel and the indentures of apprenticehood ... p. 51

The Court, taking into consideration that the salary for the maintenance of the governor and matron of the House of Correction, Clerkenwell, has of late years arisen out of the rent received for the New Prison, erected at the

charge of the county, and that such employment of the rent was to ease the inhabitants in the said county who were formerly charged with a tax for the said salary, and that the perquisites belonging to the keeper of the New Prison, out of which the said rent ought to arise, have been lately much impaired by reason of the commitments of night walkers and other disorderly persons to prisons in the said county, proper only for detention of debtors, particularly Finsbury, Whitechapel, and St. Katherine's Prisons, that belonging to the Dean and Chapter of St. Paul's and the Roundhouse of the Bailiff's place, and that commitments for misdemeanours or breach of the peace to any prison proper only for debtors are unwarrantable and illegal: it is ordered that the respective keepers of the said prisons proper only for debtors, or any agent under them, shall not hereafter detain any person or persons brought to any of the said prisons for misdemeanour or breach of the peace. It is further ordered that none of the said keepers or agents shall by colour of any such commitment as aforesaid, liberate or discharge, or by any other ways or means, directly or indirectly, take any money or reward from any such person or persons, as aforesaid, brought to any of their said prisons. It is further ordered that these instructions be printed and made public p. 52

Whereas by an Act entitled "An Act for punishing officers and soldiers who shall mutiny or desert their Majesties' service, and for punishing false musters," their Majesties' Justices in their several counties are required at their Quarter Sessions to set reasonable prices which the soldiers shall pay to owners of inns, livery stables, alehouses, &c., for their diet and the baiting of their horses, for one or more nights in their march, and also for the first night only where they are appointed for residence or quartering; a list of these prices follows. It is ordered that the chief constables of every hundred within the county issue warrants to every petty constable within their said hundreds, to appear at the next Sessions, and to bring an account of the names of all inn-keepers, &c., who sell by retail, and who, by virtue of the said Act, are liable to quarter soldiers, together with an account of the number of soldiers, both horse and foot, which each house is capable of receiving. And that the officers, who are obliged to provide soldiers' quarters, do, in the first place, assign their quarters in the best houses fit for their reception, in proportion "with other of less receipt, having a consideration of those persons who keep houses liable by the said Act to quarter soldiers, who are poor and not able to find beds for their accommodation" ... p. 54

Order that Sir James Rowe, knight; Sir Charles Umfrevile, knight; together with five other Justices (named), do, at some convenient time, view the New Prison and the House of Correction at Clerkenwell, and report to the Court at the next Sessions what repairs they consider are necessary ... ... p. 56

Recital of the petition of Dorcas Trevor, exhibited at the December Sessions last against Elizabeth Mosey and Jasper Gifford, her son-in-law, showing that she was "retained a servant by them" at £4 per annum, and that after she had served them about six weeks, they accused the said Dorcas of a trivial matter and committed her to Bridewell, where she remained six weeks and had the correction of the house; after which the said Dorcas convened the said Mosey and Gifford, before Robert Feilding, J.P., for her wages and apparel, which were ordered to be paid and returned to her. Coming from the said Justice's house, Gifford caused the said Dorcas to be arrested upon a sham action, extorted a discharge from her and forced her

to expend all her wages for bailiff's fees; they detained her trunk containing 6/- and her clothes; the petitioner prayed that Gifford and Mosey might be ordered to deliver the said petitioner her clothes, or make satisfaction for them.

It was ordered upon that petition that all matters contained therein should be referred to Andrew Lawrence and Robert Feilding, esquires, who, by a writing dated 23 December last, ordered that the said Mosey and Gifford should pay the said Trevor £4 10*s.* 0*d.* for the loss of her goods, and £3 for her charges, £7 10*s.* 0*d.* in all, as appears by the award then produced in Court. Upon the refusal of Gifford and Mosey to pay the money, it was prayed that the said award might be ratified and confirmed by the authority of this Court, which is now ratified and confirmed accordingly ... p. 57

Order of the General Quarter Sessions of the Peace held for the county of Surrey, at Croydon, on Tuesday, the 14th of January last, setting forth that Frances Flye, widow of John Flye, late of New Brentford, labourer, together with her two children, were conveyed from New Brentford to Putney under a warrant dated the 29th of October last. There was dispute concerning the legal settlement of the said Frances, and it was ordered that she and her children be conveyed from Putney to New Brentford; upon a motion made on behalf of the churchwardens of Putney, and by the consent of the churchwardens of Brentford, it is ordered that the settlement of the said Frances and her children shall be finally determined on "Thursday morning in the next Quarter Sessions of the Peace," the said Frances in the meantime to be provided for by the churchwardens of Brentford ... ... p. 59

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Indenture of apprenticeship of Reginald Bucknall, son of Reginald Bucknall, formerly of Lambeth, citizen and merchant tailor of London, to William Page, of Wapping, county Middlesex, writer. Dated 13 January, 1690: to serve for seven years ... ... p. 64

The like of Margaret Reynolds, daughter of Robert Reynolds, to William Harris of the parish of St. Buttolph without, Aldgate, "sivemaker," and Anne, his wife. Dated 6 January, 1690: to serve in the art of "hair sive bottom maker" for seven years ... ... *ibid.*

Theophilus Beaujen, convicted for spreading false news and for seditious words against the Government, is fined 100 marks and ordered to stand in and upon the pillory at Charing Cross on "Monday next," and on Tuesday following in Covent Garden, for one hour between 10 A.M. and 12 o'clock noon of each day. The said Beaujen to find sufficient sureties for his good behaviour for one year; in the meantime he is committed to Newgate until he pay the fine, undergo the punishment, and find security as aforesaid, then to be delivered, paying his fees, 17/6 ... ... p. 65

Peter Rowman, convicted for seditious words against the King and Government, is fined 20 marks and ordered to stand in and upon the pillory at Charing Cross on "Monday next," and on Wednesday following in St. James's Street, for an hour each day between 10 A.M. and 12 o'clock noon. The said Rowman to find sufficient sureties for his good behaviour for one year; in the meantime he is remanded to Newgate until he pay the fine, undergo the punishment, and find security as aforesaid, then to be delivered, paying his fees, 15/- ... ... *ibid.*

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Order for Francis Redding, keeper of the House of Correction, Westminster, to liberate Ellen Salisbury for all matters in which she stands committed upon the complaint of John Williams; but if she is detained for any other cause the said keeper is ordered to certify the same to the Court before she is discharged ... ... p. 39

A like order for the discharge of Robert Stratton for all matters in which he stands committed by warrant from John Ward, esquire, J.P., upon the complaint of Mary Rosewell, if he be detained for no other cause ... *ibid.*

A like order to the keeper of Newgate Gaol for the discharge of Charles Busby, upon his giving security to prosecute his traverse to an indictment against him for a trespass whereto he has pleaded not guilty ... ... *ibid.*

Upon the petition of John Leyton, an inhabitant of Wapping Hamlet, Whitechapel, setting forth his poverty, the distracted condition of his wife, and the threat of the present churchwardens of Wapping to remove him and his family out of the said hamlet, and to send them to the place of their former residence, and praying that they might not be removed, but that they might have some relief from the said hamlet; it is ordered that the said Leyton be continued as a parishioner in the said hamlet and receive such relief as the necessity of his circumstances shall require ... ... p. 40

Order upon the petition of Katherine Auker, a black. Shows she was servant to one Robert Rich, a planter in Barbadoes, and that about six years since she came to England with her master and mistress; she was baptized in the parish Church of St. Katherine's, near the Tower, after which her said master and mistress tortured and turned her out: her said master refusing to give her a discharge, she could not be "entertained in service elsewhere." The said Rich caused her to be arrested and imprisoned in the "Pulletry Cempter," London. Prays to be discharged from her said master, he being in Barbadoes. Ordered that the said Katherine shall be at liberty to serve any person until such time as the said Rich shall return from Barbadoes ... p. 41

Order on the petition of the churchwardens and overseers of St. Andrew's, Holborn, "for the liberty above the Bars." Shows that the "pension poor" of the said liberty have so increased that the year's assessment will not pay

their pensions, and that the petitioners have disbursed nearly £50 each more than they have received, and have yet two months more to pay, which will in all amount to above £100; the petitioners pray that an additional rate for three months might be assessed on the said liberty to reimburse the money by them expended. It is ordered that certain Justices of the Peace (named) shall enquire into the truth of the complaint and inspect the books of receipts and disbursements, and if it shall appear that the present assessment is insufficient, the said Justices are hereby desired to order such further assessment to be made, as to them shall seem meet for the relief of the poor and the repayment of the petitioners... ... ... p. 42

Order on the petition of Grace Elliott, widow, setting forth that in 1687 she placed her son, Robert Elliott, as an apprentice to John Mascomb, of Ratcliffe, mariner, for five years, at the same time paying the said Mascomb £15. The said Mascomb having most inhumanly beaten and ill-treated the said Robert, the petitioner prays her son may be discharged from his master: the Court hereby discharges the said Robert of his apprenticeship with his said master, and orders the said Mascomb to deliver to the said apprentice his apparel and his indenture of apprenticehood ... ... p. 47

The petition of Francis Rogers, setting forth that about three years since he became an apprentice to Robert Rolph of Wapping, Stepney, a labouring sawyer, for seven years, and that, in his apprenticeship, he has received ill-usage from the said Rolph and his wife. Considering he will not derive any benefit from his hard service, he prays to be discharged. The said Rolph offers to discharge the said Rogers if Ellianor Collins, widow, mother-in-law to the said Rogers, will give him, the said Rolph, a release for all money due to her for diet, &c., by her provided for the said apprentice, and the said Rogers, his bond for the payment of £5 more at the end of two years next ensuing. By the consent of the said parties it is ordered, upon these terms, that the said apprentice shall be discharged ... ... p. 48

Upon the petition of Arthur Burford, showing that in 1687 he served the office of scavenger in the lower hamlet of Wapping, Whitechapel, and disbursed £5 18*s.* 6*d.* more than he received of the inhabitants there for cleansing the said hamlet, and praying that he might be repaid, it is ordered that Robert Davis, chapelwarden of the said hamlet, shall pay the said Burford the said sum, unless, upon examination of the accounts of the said Burford, Davis shall make it appear to John Caine, esquire, J.P., that there is not so much due; and what money the said Davis shall pay to the said Burford, he is to be allowed out of the money collected by rate from the inhabitants of the said hamlet ... ... p. 49

Upon the petition of John Seller, late chapelwarden, of Wapping Hamlet, showing he was chapelwarden of the said hamlet for 1688 when he disbursed £25 8*s.* 2*d.* more than he received, and praying for an order upon the present chapelwarden for reimbursement: it is ordered that Robert Davis, churchwarden of the said hamlet, pay the petitioner the said sum. Davis affirming that the money assessed for relief of the poor is insufficient and that he has already disbursed more than he has received and therefore cannot pay the petititioner the money, it is ordered that the said Seller and Davis shall attend at the next General Quarter Sessions and produce their books of receipts and disbursements, when the Justices will make such order for payment as to them shall seem meet ... ... p. 50

Henry Elliott, convicted for seditious and scandalous words against the King and Government, is fined five marks, and is to stand in and upon the pillory, on Monday "seaven night," the 10th of March next, near the end of Bow Street, in Covent Garden, and on Tuesday, the 11th of the said month, in the Strand, near the New Exchange, and on Wednesday following near the Maypole, in the Strand, for one hour, between 10 A.M. and 12 o'clock noon. He is to find sureties for his good behaviour for a year, and is recommitted to Newgate until he undergo the punishment and find such security; then to be delivered, paying his fees, 17/6 ... ... p. 63

John Clancey, convicted for seditious and scandalous words against the King and Queen, is fined £100 and committed to Newgate for three months without bail or mainprise. He is to find sureties for his appearance at the next Sessions after the end of the said three months, and for his good behaviour for a year. The said Clancey, after the said three months' imprisonment, is to remain in Newgate until he pay the said fine and find such security; then to be delivered, paying his fees, 10/4 ... ... *ibid.*

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Memorandum of the appointment of Samuel Freebody, of St. John Street, gentleman, as treasurer for the maimed soldiers within the hundreds of Ossulston, Edmonton, and Gore, for the year 1690. The said Freebody is appointed to take the account of William Turner, late treasurer for the said hundreds during the years 1688 and 1689.

A similar appointment for Thomas Thorowgood, of New "Braintford," gentleman, within the hundreds of Elthorne, Spelthorne, and Isleworth, for the year 1690. Thorowgood to take the account of Richard Rice, late treasurer during the years 1688 and 1689.

James Mawd is chosen treasurer for the Marshalsea, King's Bench, and Hospitals, within the hundreds of Ossulston, Edmonton, and Gore, for the year 1690.

A similar appointment for Edward Low for the hundreds of Elthorne, Spelthorne, and Isleworth ... ... p. 4

Order of the Justices that the prices and rates of strong beer and ale shall be 10/- the barrel, and those of small beer and ale, 6/-; all greater or lesser measures being according to the proportion of those rates. The assize of bread shall be observed according to the printed book of assize, set forth by William Pinkethman, while the rates of wages for servants, labourers, and artificers, upon the statute of 5 Elizabeth, shall stand as they were at the Sessions held at the close of Easter, 1688 ... ... *ibid.*

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Difference between the churchwardens and overseers of Norwood in the parish of Hayes, and those of the poor of Heston in this county, concerning the last legal settlement of Richard Byrings and Hannah, his wife, who are likely to become chargeable to the said parish of Hayes. Upon the oath of the said Byrings that he was a servant in Heston, where he was last legally settled, for six months, it is ordered that the churchwardens of Norwood aforesaid do remove the said Byrings and his wife to Heston, and deliver them to the churchwardens there, who are required to receive and provide for the said Richard and Hannah ... ... p. 43

Upon information that one of the overseers of the parish of St. Mary Matfellon, otherwise Whitechapel, is a Roman Catholic, and another is an officer in the Tower Hamlets' militia, and consequently unfit to serve in the said offices; it is ordered to be referred to certain Justices (named), who are to enquire into the truth of the said information, and to remove and replace such overseers ... ... *ibid.*

Upon the petition of Francis Merrick, gentleman, showing that he was elected constable for Hayes, at the court leet held on Monday, the 28th of April, instant, and that John Emblin and Francis Coertly are more fit to serve in the said office; and the petitioner praying to be discharged, he is hereby discharged, and the said Coertly is appointed constable for this present year, 1690. Instructions for Coertly concerning the administration of his oath ... ... p. 44

Order that the churchwardens and overseers of Finchley Parish pay James Feild, a poor inhabitant of the said parish, 1/6 weekly towards his maintenance ... ... p. 44

Upon the complaint of Thomas Challoner, churchwarden of Wapping, Stepney Hamlet, that Richard Davis, late overseer of the poor of the said hamlet, had neglected to collect several sums of money assessed for the relief of the poor of the said hamlet, and had refused to make up his accounts, and to pay the remainder due thereupon to the said Challoner; it is ordered that the said Davis shall attend certain Justices (named), who are desired to inspect his accounts in the presence of the said Challoner, and to report the result of such inspection at the next General Sessions ... ... p. 45

Order that the churchwardens and overseers of Ratcliffe Hamlet, in the parish of Stepney, pay Bridget Harman, widow, 7/- due to her last Christmas for arrears of pension ... ... *ibid.*

At the General Sessions held on the 27th of February last, it was ordered that Robert Elliott, an apprentice to John Mascomb, of Ratcliffe, mariner; should be discharged. [*Vide Sessions Book*, No. 472, p. 47.] Now upon the request of Grace Elliott, mother of the said Robert, that the said order might be ratified and confirmed by the authority of this Court, the same not being made at a Quarter Sessions, it is hereby ratified and confirmed accordingly ... ... p. 46

Upon the petition of the ancient inhabitants of the New Town, within Mile End Hamlet, in the parish of Stepney, showing that they elected Robert Phipps, constable, and Joseph Boreman, Richard Gooding, Richard Taylor and Gerrard Dilward, headboroughs, for the said New Town, for this

present year, and that they presented them to the Steward of the Court Leet, held at Whitechapel, who refused to administer to them their respective oaths; it is ordered that the said Phipps, Boreman, Gooding, Taylor and Dilward attend certain Justices (named) to take the oaths for the due execution of their several offices ... ... p. 46

Upon the petition of John Wilmer, one of the overseers of Hackney Parish for 1678, showing he had disbursed a considerable sum for the relief of the poor of the said parish, and the churchwardens of the same being now dead, the inhabitants refuse to repay him, praying that he might be reimbursed; it is referred to certain Justices (named), to inspect the accounts of the said Wilmer. The said Justices are desired to give notice to the churchwardens, some of the ancient inhabitants of the said parish, and also to the petitioner, of the time and place of their meeting, and to report a true state of the said accounts at the next General Sessions ... ... p. 47

Order that Samuel Freebody, gentleman, treasurer for the maimed soldiers of Ossulston Hundred, pay Elizabeth Ransome, widow of Robert Ransome (a poor maimed soldier), 10/- due last Christmas to her said husband for arrears of his pension ... ... *ibid.*

The Right Honourable John, Earl of Clare, keeper of the rolls of this county, having recommended Haughford Wainwright, gentleman, to be housekeeper of the Sessions House of Hickshall, and crier of the General and Quarter Sessions, in the room of William Hart, the present housekeeper and crier, he is hereby appointed to the said position. Particulars concerning his residence at Hickshall, and of the payment of rent and taxes ... p. 51

Order that two Justices (named) shall take an inventory of all the goods which belong to this county at Hickshall, and which shall be delivered by Mr. Hart into Mr. Wainwright's custody, upon his appointment as housekeeper. The said inventory is to remain in the hands of the Clerk of the Peace ... ... p. 52

Order for Peter Shute, of Isleworth, to be admitted as a pensioner; the Court being satisfied that he is a person well fitted to be relieved as an indigent and maimed soldier of this county, he is to receive 40/- yearly *ibid.*

At the General Quarter Sessions held on the 20th of February last, on behalf of the churchwardens and overseers of Putney parish, concerning the last legal settlement of Frances Flye, widow, and her two children, now chargeable to the parish of New Brentford, it was ordered that the settlement of the said Frances should be finally determined "on this day." [*Vide Sessions Book* No. 471, page 59.] Upon examination it appears that [John] Flye was last legally settled in Putney Parish, and that he afterwards married the said Frances at New Brentford and died there, but that he never gave notice in writing of his abode there and the number of his family to the churchwardens, as by law required; it is therefore ordered that the said Frances and her two children be conveyed to Putney and left in the care of the churchwardens of the poor of that parish ... ... p. 53

James Cardrow, J.P., reports that Robert Snelling owes William Long £15 1*s.* 6*d.* for wages; the Court, having regard to the said Snelling's incapacity to make present payment of the full amount, orders an instalment

of £5 to be paid on the 19th of May next, the same sum on the 2nd of June, and the residue upon the 1st of July ... ... p. 54

Edmund Poore, convicted upon his own confession, for seditious words against the Government, is fined five marks, and ordered to stand in and upon the pillory on Monday the 5th instant, before Hickshall in St. John Street, for one hour, between 10 AM. and 12 o'clock noon; he is committed to the New Prison until he undergo the punishment, then to be delivered, paying his fees, 4/8 ... ... p. 55

William Ball, convicted for publishing a forged and counterfeit warrant, supposed to be under the hand and seal of John Mawgridge, esquire, their Majesties' drum-major-general, and pressing Giles Brockwell by colour thereof, is fined £6 13*s.* 4*d.*, and ordered to stand in and upon the pillory on Tuesday, the 6th instant, at the end of Fuller's Rents, in Holborn, for one hour, between 10 A.M. and 12 o'clock noon; he is committed to the New Prison until he undergo the punishment, then to be delivered, paying his fees, 17/6 ... ... p. 55

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Order that the keeper of the Gatehouse Prison at Westminster discharge William Benson, there being no prosecution against him for the offence for which he stands committed under a warrant from John Ward, J.P., dated the 27th of May, 1690 ... ... p. 43

Order that Samuel Freebody, gentleman, one of the treasurers of this county, pay Robert Smyth, late of the Isle of Thanet, merchant, 10/- out of the public money of the county ... ... *ibid.*

Order for Mr. Robert Hardisty, one of the attorneys at the Court of King's Bench, to appear for the inhabitants of Ossulston Hundred, at the suit of William Brooks, for a robbery committed upon him in the said hundred .. .. *ibid.*

Upon the report of three Justices of the Peace (named), who were requested to inspect the accounts of John Wilmer, one of the overseers of the poor of Hackney Parish, for the year 1678, it is found there remains due to the said Wilmer £65 which was disbursed by him for the relief of the said poor. [*Vide Sessions Book* 473, p. 47.] The present churchwardens, desiring

an order might be granted for the making of a rate upon the inhabitants of the said parish to defray the debt, it is therefore ordered that an equal and indifferent assessment be made upon the inhabitants for reimbursing the said Wilmer and for the further relief of the poor of the said parish. Instructions concerning such assessment ... ... p. 45

Dispute between George Colleson, of St. Katherine's Precincts, victualler, and William Chandler, his apprentice, touching the discharge of the said apprentice. Upon the confession of the said Chandler that he was bound an apprentice to one Henry Moore, of Leeds, county York, clothier, for seven years, and that he deserted the said Moore's service, and is therefore now his apprentice, it is ordered that the indenture of apprenticehood between Chandler and Colleson be cancelled, and it is further ordered that the said Chandler shall return to the said Moore, his master, and serve him for the residue of his apprenticeship ... ... p. 46

Order that the churchwardens and overseers of St. Andrew's, Holborn, receive Elizabeth Forrest, former servant to Roger Wilson, of the said parish, and convey her to New Bethlehem, she being now in a distracted condition ... ... p. 47

Order that the petty constables of the parish of St. James', Westminster, in the presence of some of the inhabitants there, do make search in all boxes and trunks of Robert and Thomas Cooper, in the house of the said Thomas, and secure all money, gold, jewels, plate, papers, writings, and other goods, belonging to the late King James or Queen Mary, or either of them ... p. 47

A similar order to the constables of Hammersmith, in Fulham Parish, to make a like search in the house, and kitchen garden, belonging to the house of Charles Taylor, at North End, called "Noe Man's Land," in the said parish of Fulham ... ... *ibid.*

Order on the petition of Robert More. Shows he is an inhabitant and shopkeeper in Cheapside, where he has borne all parish offices; but his wife requiring country air, his brother, Dr. Thomas More, allowed the said wife, and other members of the family, to have, at certain times, the use of a house in Hornsey parish, which the said doctor continues to hold. He prays to be discharged from the office of overseer of the poor of Hornsey parish, to which post he has been elected. Ordered that the said Robert be discharged, and two Justices (named) are instructed to appoint some other fit person in his place ... ... p. 48

Order for confirming an order made by two Justices (named), on the 1st of May, 1690, adjudging Nicholas Burrett, of Hampstead, brewer's servant, to be the father of Sarah Hare's child, Samuel ... ... p. 49

Upon a complaint that the watches in the several parishes, hamlets, precincts and liberties in this county are "set too late," and that the petty constables and head boroughs discharge their watches too early in the morning and keep no ward in the daytime, to the great detriment of the peace, it is ordered that the said petty constables and headboroughs set and place in their respective parishes, hamlets, precincts and liberties a watch, double to that usually appointed, and that the said watch be set, kept, and

continued from 9 P.M. until 5 A.M., and that the said wards be set and kept from 5 A.M. until 9 P.M. Further orders concerning the due execution of these instructions... ... ... p. 51

Order on the petition of William Hallum and Archelaus Stratford, overseers of the poor for the liberty of East Smithfield, in the parish of St. Buttolph's Without Aldgate, for the year 1688. Shows that they had executed the office faithfully, and that owing to a fire which happened in the said liberty, and through other losses, they were £6 16*s.* 0*d.* out of pocket, the present churchwardens refusing to pay them. The petitioners pray they may be reimbursed; and it is ordered that certain Justices (named), examine into the truth of the complaint and see what is justly due to the petitioners, and give them such relief as they, the said Justices, shall consider fair ... ... p. 53

Information of Sir Thomas Rowe, knight, J.P., that he held, of the trustees for the estates of this county, part of the Corporation Workhouse at Clerkenwell for a long term of years yet to come, at the annual rent of £30; that he had paid all rent due for the same at Michaelmas, 1687; and that he had converted the said workhouse into a college for the education of poor infants in the protestant religion. He asks that he may have orders to the churchwardens and overseers of the several parishes in this county, to send to the said college such numbers of poor children upon the same terms as formerly. It is ordered that certain Justices (named) be appointed a committee to consider the said request, and to enquire into Sir Thomas Rowe's title to the said workhouse. Instructions concerning the enquiry, the result of which is to be reported at the next General Quarter Sessions... ... p. 55

Upon the complaint of Anthony Ward, on behalf of Sir James Chamberlain, baronet, that William Holden, constable of Hammersmith, in Fulham Parish, by order of the Court, searched the house and gardens of one Charles Taylor, at North End, called "Noe Man's Land" [*vide* p. 47], and had taken "an iron chest which did not belong to their late Majesties, but which was subject to the said Sir James Chamberlain's distress as landlord, for arrears of rent due to him," the said Holden refusing to restore the same, it is prayed the chest might be returned to the place whence it was taken. Holden having stated he knew not the owner of the chest, which contained nothing belonging to their said late Majesties, it is ordered that he return the chest to its original place... ... ... p. 56

Upon the complaint of several of the inhabitants of Wapping Hamlet, Whitechapel, in the parish of St. Mary Matfellon, that Robert Davis, formerly chapelwarden of the said hamlet, has refused to give to certain Justices (named) a true account of all money received by him, and also of such stock, &c., concerning his said office, it is ordered that the said Davis deliver to the present chapelwarden such money remaining in his hands, failing which he is to be sent to the common gaol, there to remain without bail or mainprise, until he shall make a true account concerning his said office ... ... p. 57

Upon the complaint of Mary, wife of Joseph Staples, of Limehouse Hamlet, Stepney, butcher, that her said husband "beat and abused her by manacling her with irons, and had utterly crippled her, and that he threatened to cut of her legs"; it is ordered that the said Joseph pay his said wife 2/- weekly, and that he behave peaceably and quietly towards her in future ... ... p. 59

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Indenture of apprenticeship of John Hall, of Finchley, to Thomas Baker, of Hampstead, liquor maker, to serve seven years from the 7th of May, 1690 ... ... *ibid.*

The like of William Wayman, son of William Wayman, bricklayer, to Thomas Harrison, of Holborn, armour-maker and gunsmith, to serve for a term of seven years. Dated 6 June, 1690 ... ... *ibid.*

The like of Philip Briggs, son of Philip Briggs, citizen and bookseller of London, to Thomas Austin, of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, saddletree maker, to serve seven years. Dated 12 August, 1686 ... ... *ibid.*

The said Philip Briggs states that the said Austin is dead, and that he, with the consent of his friends, has become apprenticed to John Swift, of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, "saddletree" maker, for seven years, as in the aforesaid indenture, and under the condition and agreement contained in the same ... ... *ibid.*

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At the General Quarter Sessions held on the 13th of January "last," divers arms were seized by John Steevens, a messenger, by virtue of Lord Shrewsbury's warrant, at Captain Samuel Ely's house, supposed to belong to Captain Pounds, a Roman Catholic, deceased; the said arms were left with the housekeeper at Hickshall, where they still remain. Upon an application made and upon oaths taken by Captain Ely, and upon the oath of his servant, John Hopkins, that all the arms (mentioned) are the property of the said Ely, it is ordered that the same be restored to the said Captain Ely. A list of the arms follows... ... ... p. 68

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Order for the churchwardens of Shoreditch to pay Richard Fierson £14 3*s.* 8*d.*, he having expended that amount for the relief of the poor of the said parish during his term of office as upper churchwarden for the year 1687 ... ... *ibid.*

Order to "rerefer" the taking of the accounts of Robert Davis, late chapelwarden of the hamlet of Wapping, Whitechapel, to certain Justices named. [*Vide Sessions Book* No. 474, p. 57] ... ... p. 40

Order for excusing Mr. Robert More, citizen and linendraper, of Cheapside, from being overseer of the poor for Hornsey parish, he being only a lodger with his brother, Dr. Thomas More. [*Vide Sessions Book* No. 474, p. 48] ... ... p. 41

Order for excusing Robert Chambers, of Stepney, from watching, warding and payment of parish duties, the said Chambers in his petition showing that he served as master in the Royal Navy for 40 years, and is now old and indigent ... ... p. 42

Order for John Wray, junior, and John Bennett, junior, to attend and take the oaths as constables for Rislipp, for the year 1690 ... ... p. 43

Order for the conveyance of Judith Weaver and her child from Kensington to Ealing Parish, it having been proved that her husband, Charles Weaver, was last legally settled at Ealing aforesaid ... ... *ibid.*

Order for the churchwardens and overseers of the poor of Ratcliffe Hamlet, to pay Edward Parker £104 10*s.* 1*d.*, due to him from the said hamlet upon his account, which sum is to be raised by assessment upon the inhabitants there ... ... p. 44

Address by the Middlesex Justices to the King and Queen expressing their zeal in preserving their Majesties "against the plots and contrivances of papists and all disaffected persons in this present invasion by the French" ... ... p. 45

Dispute between Henry Cleaver, of Hounslow, distiller, and John Tilley and ——— Burbanck, constables, of Hounslow aforesaid, concerning the quartering of troopers, with their horses, upon the said Cleaver. Cleaver insisting that he is overcharged and ought not to quarter more than his proportion with others liable to quarter troops and their horses in the said town of Hounslow, it is ordered that enquiry be made by a Justice (named), and the said Cleaver eased of such quartering as shall be found meet p. 46

Order for a committee of Justices (named) to attend the Chancellor of the Exchequer concerning the allowance of the Justices' "wages" ... p. 47

Order for the churchwardens of St. Giles-in-the-Fields to pay Robert Cook, one of the overseers of the poor there, for the year 1688, the money due to him upon the auditing of his accounts ... ... *ibid.*

Order for Thomas Simonds to pay the money assessed upon him (1/6 per annum) for the relief of the poor of St. Pancras, for that part of the gatehouse at Highgate, which is in the said parish of St. Pancras, and in the possession of the said Simonds. He is to be discharged of so much of the assessment charged upon him (£3 10*s.* 0*d.* per annum) for the poor of Hornsey, the said gatehouse being situated in both parishes ... ... p. 48

Order for the inhabitants of Red Lion Square, in the parish of St. Andrew's, Holborn, to maintain a watch there at their own charge, and to place "stands" for the watchmen, at their own charge, at convenient places in the said square, and to have scavengers and rakers of their own. In consideration whereof they are exempted from payment for any other watching, cleansing, &c. ... ... p. 50

Thomas Hall ordered to pay William Beamont £3 for labour done by the said Beamont. Refusing to pay the same, he is committed to New Prison, there to remain until he pay the money or be delivered by due course of law; if delivered to pay for his fees, 2/ ... ... p. 52

By an order dated the 15th of July instant, it was directed that the license granted to William Brightfoot, of Tottenham, yeoman, for keeping a common victualling house, should be suppressed; but upon the said Brightfoot's petition, setting forth that he had purchased great quantities of liquors, and that he should be much "dampnified" thereby unless he were allowed to sell the same, it is ordered that the execution of the said order be suspended until the end of the next Quarter Sessions, and the said Brightfoot is hereby allowed to keep the victualling house and to sell the liquors already laid in, but to take in no fresh stock. He is to keep all the articles and conditions contained in the said license ... ... *ibid.*

Upon the matter in difference between Theodosius Lamphire and Thomas Flack, late overseers of the poor for the upper hamlet of St. Mary Matfellon, otherwise Whitechapel, and the present churchwardens of the poor there, concerning the payment of £23 14*s.* 6*d.* due to the said Lamphire and Flack for money disbursed by them, it is ordered that the accounts of the said Lamphire and Flack be audited by certain Justices (named), and that the present churchwardens and overseers of the said hamlet pay the money due upon the foot of the accounts ... ... p. 54

Joseph Chinnery, his wife and two children, were, by warrant dated the 5th August instant, passed from the parish of St. Buttolph's, Aldgate, to that of St. Clement Danes. The churchwardens of St. Clement Danes having now stated that the last legal settlement of the said Chinnery was in the parish of St. Katherine's, Colman Street, it is ordered that the matter be determined at the next General Quarter Sessions ... ... p. 55

By an order of the 19th of July last it was ordered that Judith Weaver and her child should be conveyed from Kensington to Ealing. The churchwardens of the latter parish having appealed against the said order, it is further ordered that the matter concerning the last legal settlement of Charles Weaver, husband of the said Judith, be determined at the next General Quarter Sessions. [*Vide ante*, p. 43] ... ... p. 56

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Edward Wildboar, sworn headborough, of Enfield, in the place of Edward Barney.

Cornelius Jones, George Howard } Fined 10/- for absence from Court 1 August, '90.

Richard Lee, of Finchley, victualler, sworn petty constable in the place of William Alder, now deceased.

The recognizances of Thomas Hawksworth continued to the 3rd of September to prosecute.

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For the better preservation of peace, "daily endangered by the great resort of papists and reputed papists to the city of Westminster and other parts of this county within ten miles distance of the cities of London and Westminster, contrary to law, and for the speedier amoveing of such dangerous persons and seizing of their horses as the law directs," it is ordered that all householders, innkeepers, and "keepers of horse at livery" do, within 24 hours after this notice, deliver in writing to a Justice of the Peace in the parish, the full names and places of residence of every lodger or sojourner, and of the owner and keeper of every such horse as aforesaid, and of the time of harbouring the same. Further instructions concerning the printing and circulating of this order. [*Vide Sessions Book* 522, p 41.] pp. 41, 42

Upon the complaint of William Munden, high constable of Kensington Division, that the King's highway, before and near his house in Kensington aforesaid, is much overflowed by the stopping-up of a passage, or common sewer, which ought to be cleansed and repaired at the charge of the said parish, it is ordered that a Justice (named) shall enquire into the truth of the complaint, and give order for the cleansing of the said passage; he is further to report, at the next Sessions, who, in his opinion, ought to cleanse and repair such passage, as occasion requires ... ... p. 43

Proceedings upon the petition of the inhabitants of Mile End Hamlet, in the parish of Stepney. Shows that the hamlet has been lately divided into two parts, and named the old and new towns of Mile End, and recommends that Mr. Richard Goodwin and Mr. Henry May be overseers of the poor in the said new town. Ordered accordingly ... ... *ibid.*

Proceedings upon the petition of George West, gentleman, high constable of the Tower Hamlets, and of several petty constables, &c. Shows that, at the

Sessions held on the 3rd of June last, it was then ordered that the petty constables and headboroughs in every parish, hamlet, &c., should double the number of watchmen nightly [*vide Sessions Book* No. 474, p. 51]; the inhabitants of the said hamlets being generally very poor, and unable to sustain the charge of double watches, the petitioners desire that they may be eased of keeping such watches. Ordered accordingly ... ... p. 44

Order for the churchwardens and overseers of St. Giles' Parish to pay Sarah Jones the arrears of her pension of 2/6 per month, and to continue the payment of the same until the next Quarter Sessions, when it shall be decided whether the said pension ought to be continued ... ... p. 45

Order for the churchwardens and overseers of Ratcliffe Hamlet, Stepney Parish, to pay John Dunsteere the arrears of his pension of 1/6 per week, and to continue the payment of the said pension until further order .. *ibid.*

Order for the constables and headboroughs of the liberty of Saffron Hill, Hatton Garden, and Ely Rents, in the parish of St. Andrew's, Holborn, with the overseers of the poor and some of the inhabitants of the said liberty, to make a rate for reimbursing William Price, constable of the said liberty, the money by him expended in receiving and conveying away, with passes, "cripples,vagabonds, and sturdy beggars through the said liberty." p. 46

Edward Maddox and George Harvey, of Edmonton, having, by order of the vestry of the said parish, dated 1 June, 1679, paid £16 as a fine, to be excused from serving in the said parish, and yet, having been appointed surveyors of the highways in the said parish for 1683, in which offices they served, it is ordered that the churchwardens refund Messrs. Maddox and Harvey the said sum of £16 ... ... *ibid.*

Upon the matter in difference between Francis Hooper, chapelwarden, of Wapping Hamlet, Whitechapel, in the parish of St. Mary Matfellon, otherwise Whitechapel, for 1685, and the present churchwardens of the said hamlet, concerning the payment of £21 0*s.* 8*d.* disbursed by the said Hooper, it is ordered that certain Justices (named) inspect the accounts of the said Hooper, and report the result at the next Sessions ... ... p. 47

Order that certain Justices (named) view Hickshall, and the pavements adjoining, and report what necessary repairs are required in and about the same, and what repairs have been lately done, &c., and upon what terms the late William Hart, housekeeper, held the said house, and at whose charge the New River water ought to be continued for the use thereof ... p. 48

Complaint of Thomas Davis, of the parish of St. Giles-in-the-Fields, glazier, that Elizabeth Pennell, wife of Samuel Pennell, of the same parish, had stolen from him "two glazier's vices, with the screws and appurtenances," and had pawned them to one Ellianor Troughton, wife of Samuel Troughton, of the same parish, broker, and that by virtue of a warrant the said goods are now in the custody of ——— Teague, constable of the said parish; the petitioner praying for the restoration of the said goods, it is ordered to be referred to certain Justices (named) who are to make such order for the relief of the said Davis as they shall consider meet ... ... p. 49

Order to certain Justices (named) to view the repairs done by Captain Thomas Jones, keeper of the New Prison and House of Correction, Clerkenwell, to report what further repairs are required, and to inspect the accounts of the workmen, who demand £25 7*s.* 2½*d.* The result of the enquiry to be submitted at the next General Sessions ... ... p. 50

Upon consideration of the matters in difference between Timothy Dalby, of Stepney, otherwise Stebunheath Parish, and Bridget, his wife, a semptress, and Margaret Blackman, Elizabeth Jackson, and Mary Clayton, their apprentices, concerning the discharge of the said apprentices; it appearing that the said Bridget "had given moderate correction" to the said apprentices, and had not provided wholesome and sufficient diet for them while in her service, it is ordered that the said apprentices be discharged from their indentures of apprenticehood. Jackson and Clayton are at liberty to serve any other mistress, but Blackman is to live at her father's house, and to serve her said mistress for a month, provided the said Bridget do not beat or abuse her; it is further ordered that the apparel of the said apprentices be restored to them, but the money paid with the said apprentices is to be retained by the said Timothy and Bridget ... ... p. 51

Upon the dispute between Abigail Wait, of the parish of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, milliner and sempstress, and Elizabeth Sparling, her apprentice, concerning the discharge of the said apprentice, the Court, proving the indentures to be void, it is ordered that the said Sparling be discharged from her said mistress, who is to deliver up to the said apprentice all her apparel ... ... p. 52

Upon the dispute between James Halsey, of Whetston, Finchley Parish, and William Sleath (*sic*), constable of Fryern Barnett, in this county, concerning the passing of cripples and vagabonds through the said parish of Finchley, it appearing that the said Slate (*sic*) had frequently passed cripples, &c., from Fryern Barnett to the said Halsey, in Whetston (who is no constable), and who ought to have been passed to the constable of High Barnett, county Herts, whereby the north end of Finchley was twice charged with one pass, it is ordered that the said Slate do pass all such cripples, &c., passed to him as constable of Fryern Barnett aforesaid, from Edward Towerson, or any other constable of the north end of Finchley, to the constable of High Barnett aforesaid ... ... p. 52

Difference having arisen between the constable of the liberty of Upper Barnsbury, in the parish of St. Mary, Islington, and the headborough of the said liberty, and the constable of the liberty of St. John of Jerusalem, concerning the passing of cripples and vagabonds, it appeared that the constable of Upper Barnsbury ought to pass all who are passed to him from the respective constables of Islington to the said constable of the liberty of St. John of Jerusalem, who ought "to pass them forward to Highgate," and that he ought to pass all that come to him from Highgate to the constable of Upper Barnsbury, who ought to pass them to the respective constables of Islington town, for the time being. Ordered accordingly. p. 53

Upon the petition of Matthew Allen, senior, of Spitalfields Hamlet, Stepney Parish, stating that he is 72 years of age, and unable to work, and that the churchwardens refuse him any further allowance "than twelve (*sic*) a week only," which is insufficient to maintain him, and praying for some

addition to his pension, it is ordered that the said pension be increased by the sum of 6*d.* weekly ... ... p. 54

Proceeding upon the petition of Richard Carrington, of the parish of St. Giles' Without, Cripplegate, fringe maker; states that the churchwardens of the said parish had placed John Galliard with him, as an apprentice, and that the said apprentice had several times robbed and run away from him, and prays that Galliard may be discharged from his apprenticehood. The churchwardens state that Galliard had been placed with other masters to whom he had behaved badly, and that he is now in the House of Correction, and they desire that he may remain with the said Carrington, who had received 40/- with the said apprentice. The petitioner prays that he may be free of his said apprentice, and offers to repay 30/- of the said 40/- towards providing him with another master. To this the Court agrees ... ... p. 55

Dispute between James Clark, of the parish of St. Mary Matfellon, otherwise Whitechapel, cordwainer, and Thomas Woolley, his apprentice, concerning the discharge of the said Woolley. Upon proof that the said Clarke and his wife had ill-treated the apprentice, it is ordered that he be discharged from his said master, who is to deliver to the said Woolley his apparel, but Clarke is to retain the £4 paid with the said apprentice p. 56

Henry Ward, convicted for seditious and scandalous words against the Government, is fined 20 nobles, and to stand in and upon the pillory on Tuesday next, the 9th instant, in St. James Street, and on Thursday, the 11th instant, in Covent Garden, within the liberty of Westminster, for one hour, between 10 A.M. and 12 o'clock, noon, of each day; he is remanded to Newgate until he undergo the punishment, then to be delivered, paying his fees, 15/- ... ... p. 58

John Cragg, convicted for impressing Joseph Golding without a lawful warrant, is fined five marks, and to stand in and upon the pillory on Monday next, the 8th instant, near the Sun Tavern, Shadwell, Stepney parish, for one hour, between 10 A.M. and 12 o'clock noon; he is remanded to New Prison until he undergo the said punishment, then to be delivered, paying his fees 17/6 ... ... *ibid.*

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Order for three Justices of the Peace to examine into the complaint of Lionel Empes that he is over-rated for his premises at Charing Cross... *ibid.*

Order to the churchwardens, &c., of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields to pay £5 17*s.* 2*d.* to Richard Blackman, constable, for passing and relieving vagrants and cripples, with 5/- more for the order. Further that since the parish of St. James' had lately been relieved from "the antient trouble and charge of Passing Vagrants and Cripples," the churchwardens, &c., of St. James are to pay forthwith one-half of the above charge ... . p. 36

Order that Humphrey Watson be put in the pillory in New Palace Yard on the 6th October for the space of one hour, he having been convicted of speaking seditious words against the King's Majesty and Government... p. 37

Order respiting the recognizances, entered into before 16 May, 1690, of those who had failed to appear at the July Quarter Sessions, and whose offences had been pardoned ... ... *ibid.*

Order for the churchwardens, &c., of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields to pay to George Sams £40, out of £60 which he claims to be due to him for work on the highways. Further ordered that four of the Justices of the Peace shall examine George Sams as to the £20 which he claims, and they shall take such action as shall seem to them to be most convenient ... *ibid.*

Order to the churchwardens, &c., of St. James's, in the liberty of Westminster, to pay to Francis Steene, a constable of that parish, 28*s.* 11*d.*, by him expended in the necessary relief of vagrants and cripples; and 5/- more for the order ... ... p. 38

Order for the same churchwardens, &c., to pay to Robert Butler 34*s.* 3*d.*, expended by him when constable for the relief of vagrants, &c.; and 5/- for the order ... ... p. 39

Order concerning William Landy, "formerly a madman and confined in the house of correccõn at Tuttle Fields to prevent his wandering abroad and doeing mischeife to the people, was there mainteyned about five yeares by order of the Quarter Sessions" in 1684 . . . . at the charge of the respective parishes in the liberty; later, William Landy had "listed himselfe a souldier in their Ma^ties. service and went into Flanders for some time, but since disbanded, and at the said last Quarter Sessions remayned distempered and very

poor and helpless." He had prayed the Court to be relieved again. His sister-in-law, the wife of Edward Landy, a shoemaker, of Gray's Inn Lane, offered to allow him lodgings, and to accept 2/6 a week for his maintenance. The last Court had ordered the parishes in the liberty to contribute as follows:—St. Margaret's, 8*d.*; St. Martin-in-the-Fields, 6*d.*; St. James', 4*d.*; St. Anne's, 3*d.*; St. Paul's, Covent Garden, 3*d.*; St. Clement Danes', 4*d.*; St. Mary, Savoy, 2*d.*, so long as William Landy should be lodged in the house of Edward Landy. Since the last Court, Edward Landy died, and his widow was so poor that she could not maintain William "without an allowance of five shillings per week for the future." Complaint is made that some of the parishes refused to pay their quota, and it is ordered that the sums unpaid be collected by Francis Reading, governor of the House of Correction, from the various parishes; and further that the parishes pay, for the future, weekly to Mary Lundy for the maintenance of William, through Francis Reading, as follows:—St. Margaret's, 1*s.*; St. Martin's, 1*s.*; St. James', 8*d.*; St. Anne's, 6*d.*; St. Paul's, Covent Garden, 7*d.*; St. Clement Danes, 1*s.*; St. Mary, Savoy, 3*d.*.... ... ... p. 39

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	s.	*d.*
St. Martin's-in-the-Fields	8	0
St. James'	5	4
St. Margaret's...	8	0
St. Clement Danes	8	0
St. Paul's, Covent Garden	4	8
St. Mary-le-Strand	2	0
St. Anne's	4	0

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Order that the "pension" of 2/6 per month, which had been paid to Sarah Jones, of St. Giles'-in-the-Fields, should be taken off and discharged ... ... p. 58

Order for determining the legal settlement of Charles Weaver, at the next Quarter Sessions, between Ealing and Kensington. [*Vide Sessions Book* 475, pp. 43 and 56] ... ... *ibid.*

Order to the churchwardens, &c., of St. Clement Danes, concerning the settlement of Joseph Chinnery in that parish; the dispute was between churchwardens, &c., of St. Katherine, Colman Street, St. Buttolph's, Aldgate, and St. Clement Danes ... ... p. 59

Order to James Ermindeger, of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, gunsmith, to pay to the churchwardens, &c., of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, 4/- weekly, and upon every Saturday, for the relief and maintenance of his wife, Mary, whom he had "locked up many days and nights in dark places, allowing her no kind of sustenance, and endeavoured to burn her flesh by placing lighted candles round her" ... ... p. 60

Order suppressing the license of Edward Clark, victualler, of Hendon, on the complaint that he had kept a disorderly victualling house, frequently allowing persons "to remain tipling in his house" during the time of Divine Service on Sundays. He is to be forthwith brought before one or more of the Justices and proceeded against as an unlicensed victualler, if he disobeys the order ... ... p. 62

Order that Henry Jones, late treasurer for the Marshalsea, King's Bench and Hospitals within the hundreds of Ossulton, Edmonton, and Gore, shall pay the sum of £48 15*s.*, collected by him in the years 1688 and 1689, to Thomas Harcourt, Clerk of the Peace of the county ... ... *ibid.*

Order for suppressing the license of William Brightfoot, of Tottenham. Complaint made by John Woodhouse, servant to the Right Honourable the Earl of Colraine, that Brightfoot had "by surprize" obtained a license for selling beer, &c., in the house which he rents of the Earl, contrary to his covenant; that he was a young man, and capable to maintain his family without keeping an alehouse; that the Court had already given him time in which to dispose of "his beer and ale laid in by virtue of his said license." Further order to bring the said Brightfoot before one or more of the Justices to be proceeded against as an unlicensed victualler if he presumes to sell beer after receiving notice of this order. [*Vide Sessions Book* 475, p. 52] ... ... p. 63

Order referring to two of the Justices, "inhabiting near that parish," a claim made by Samuel Pearson, "upper" churchwarden of St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, for the payment of £114 14*s.* 1½*d.* to him from that parish, Samuel Pearson states that a rate had been made for reimbursing him, but that the present churchwardens refused to pay him, though he was willing to take £65 14*s.* 1½*d.* now, and "to stay twelve months for the other fifty pounds due to him . . . in respect of the pressing necessities of the poor" ... ... p. 64

Order to the churchwardens, &c., of St. Clement Danes to remove James Gardner to the parish of St. Bartholomew the Great, that being the place of his last legal settlement ... ... p. 67

Order that the dispute between the churchwardens, &c., of "the hamblett of Mile End New Towne in the parish of Stepney, otherwise Stebinheath" and the churchwardens, &c., of Stratford, concerning the settlement of Mary, John, and Susannah Woodhall, the children of Thomas Woodhall, should be dealt with at the next Quarter Sessions ... ... p. 68

Ordered that Mr. Robert Hardisty, Attorney of the Court of King's Bench, do appear for the inhabitants of the hundred of Ossulton at the suit of the Right Honourable John Lord Lovelace, and at the suit of John Christmas for "two small robberys committed upon them" in the hundred ... p. 70

Order for the removal of John Phillips at once, and for the removal of Mary, his wife, as soon as she "is in condition of health" from St. Buttolph's Without Aldgate, [to] St. Giles' Without, Cripplegate ... ... p. 71

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stable, for excusing several of the inhabitants from watching and warding, and thereby overburdening the complainants, who are put to great charges, it is ordered that certain Justices (named) do enquire into the matter and report their opinions at the next General Quarter Sessions, and in the meantime give the complainants such relief as they shall consider meet ... ... p. 57

Order for the churchwarden of Isleworth to remove Ann Lawrence from Heston to Isleworth, she having been last legally settled in the latter parish ... ... p. 58

Proceedings upon the petition of the inhabitants of Hornsey. They state that upon the 13th of October last, they were presented by William Bluck, J.P., "upon his view," because, on the 24th of August previous, they had not repaired a certain common ancient highway in their said parish, leading from a place called Newgate Lane, in the said parish, to a certain village called Highgate; 20 perches in length, and 2 perches in breadth, the same being in great decay. The petitioners state that the highway really lies in Finchley Parish, and they pray to be discharged from the said presentment. The matter is referred to certain Justices (named), who are to certify, in writing, at the next General Sessions, their opinions in which parish the said highway lies, and who ought to repair the same ... ... p. 58

Information of the burgesses and assistants of the Duchy Liberty in the Strand, that some of the inhabitants had obtained the nomination of Joseph Weeks as constable of the said liberty, in the room of Thomas Awbrey, pretending that the latter had gone from the said liberty. As it appears that the said Awbrey had not then removed, neither was Weeks the next to serve the said office, the nomination was void. Awbrey having since removed, and one William Bines, hosier, being next in course to serve the said office, the said Bines is appointed to act as constable until the next leet or Quarter Sessions ... ... p. 59

Dispute between Robert Cooke, one of the overseers of the parish of St. Giles'-in-the-Fields, for the year 1688, Richard Sheppard, upper churchwarden, and John Harris, late overseer of the said parish, concerning the payment of £18 disbursed by the said Cooke for the relief of the poor: it is ordered that Harris pay out of the public money of the parish the said sum of £18 to Robert Cooke; and it is referred to the Justices to examine into the charges expended by the petitioner in the auditing of his accounts, and to order the churchwardens to pay the same without further trouble .. p. 63

Upon the petition of the inhabitants of Norfolk Street, in the Duchy Liberty in the Strand, St. Clement Danes Parish, stating that, owing to an insufficient watch, some of their houses had lately been robbed and others were in danger, and praying that they might have liberty to maintain a watch in the said streets, it is ordered accordingly; the said inhabitants to bear the charge thereof ... ... p. 64

Upon the petition of Mary Guttridge, widow, on behalf of her daughter Clare, aged 14 years, setting forth that the said Clare, on the 24th of June, 1689, was apprenticed to Penelope Batchelor and Ann Ithall, spinsters, late of Pall Mall, to learn the trade of a milliner and embroiderer, for which the sum of £15 was paid; her mistresses having used the said apprentice badly, and the petitioner praying that the indentures of apprenticehood might be

cancelled, it is ordered that the said apprentice be discharged, and it is recommended to certain Justices (named) to consider what part of the money paid with the said apprentice should be returned ... ... p. 65

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Indenture of apprenticeship of William Davies, son of Robert Davies, of Allhallows, Barking, weaver, to Samuel Sheering, of St. Olave's, Southwark, Surrey, sailor. To serve for a term of seven years. Dated 1 December, 1690 ... ... p. 71

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Robert Dart, otherwise Dafte, convicted for seditious words against the Government, is to "be set in and upon the pillory in the New Palace Yard, Westminster," on Wednesday "next," the 14th instant January, for one hour, between 10 A.M. and 12 o'clock noon, with a paper fixed on his head showing his offence; he is to return to the Gatehouse Gaol for six months, and further, until he find good bail for his appearance at the next Sessions ... ... p. 18

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Order to the churchwarden of St. James', Clerkenwell, to pay to James Petworth, late constable of the Upper Liberty of St. John Street, £1 14*s.* 7*d.*, and to Edward Weeks, late constable for Islington Liberty, £2 4*s.* 7*d.*, being money expended by them in passing cripples and vagabonds through their several liberties ... ... *ibid.*

Ordered that constables and headboroughs of parishes within the weekly bills of mortality do forthwith give notice to every householder "whose house adjoyns unto or is near the street," that henceforth until Lady Day next, each night they set or hang out candles or lights in lanthorns on the outside of their houses next the street, "as it shall grow dark," till twelve o'clock at night. Further they are to give notice to all scavengers that every day in the week, except Sunday and other holidays, "they bring, or cause to be brought, carts, dung pots, and other fitting carriages into all the said parishes," where they can pass, and give notice to the inhabitants, and "abide there a convenient time," and carry away the dirt and soyle brought to them, according to the directions of an Act of Parliament made in the 1st year of William and Mary... ... ... p. 50

Confirmation of William Binns as constable of the Duchy Liberty in the Strand, in the place of Thomas Aubrey, gone out of the liberty. [*Vide Sessions Book* 479, p. 59] ... ... p. 51

Ordered—as several houses and shops have been lately robbed "in the evening before the watches are set"—that the constables of the Duchy Liberty in the Strand, as soon as candles are lit, are to place four able and sufficient warders "at convenient stands in the High Street" between Temple Bar and Salisbury House. These wardens are to remain until the constables have set the watch at 10 o'clock ... ... *ibid.*

Ordered that the high constables of every hundred issue warrants to the petty constables to make a list of all the mariners and sea-faring men in their respective districts, together with their ages, places of abode, and whether they are at home or abroad; these lists are to be sent to the Commissioners of their Majesties' Customs "for the more speedy and sufficient supply and furnishing of their Majesties' Fleet with able and sufficient seamen and mariners"... ... ... p. 52

Order naming six Justices who are to enquire into the expenses incurred by Mr. John Reynolds in promoting the Act of Parliament passed for the cleansing and paving the streets in the out parishes, comprised in the weekly bills of mortality. Further ordered that Mr. Reynolds shall procure "thirty thousand abstracts or breviats to the said Acts," to be printed, to the end the same may be given and disposed of to the churchwardens of every parish and place, for them to cause the same to be distributed to the respective householders . . . to prevent them from incurring the penalties imposed by the Act. Mr. Reynolds' costs incurred in procuring the passing of the Act, and of the printing to be raised by the parishes affected ... ... p. 54

Ordered that two of the Justices shall examine what moneys the overseers of the Liberty of Hatton Garden, Saffron Hill, and Ely Rents have expended on the relief of the poor, and to make such assessment for reimbursing the overseers as they shall deem fit ... ... *ibid.*

Dispute as to the repair of the great bridge of Colnbrook between the inhabitants of that part of the said town which lies in Bucks and those of that part which lies in Middlesex. The bridge was in great decay for want of reparation, to the hazard of travellers. The Court of Quarter Sessions for Bucks had ordered the inhabitants of so much of Colnbrook as lay in the parishes of Langley Marsh and Horton to repair their portion of the bridge, and these persons prayed that the inhabitants of such part of the said town as was in the parish of Stanwell and county of Middlesex should repair their part. These replied that there were certain tolls and profits of fairs granted to the Corporation of Colnbrook for the repairs of the bridge. The Court found that these profits ought to be employed as alleged, but that they were not sufficient, and ordered the inhabitants of Colnbrook in the parish of Stanwell to contribute their share towards the repair of the bridge ... p. 55

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The Court found that Captain Thomas Jones, keeper of the New Prison and governor of Bridewell at Clerkenwell, had disbursed for the use of the county, over and above £70 8*s.* 10*d.* reported due to him in 1680, a further sum of £94 16*s.* 6*d.*, making a total of £165 5*s.* 4*d.* Captain Jones owed the county one year's rent of the New Prison £25 over and above £15 which he has paid to the Matron of the House of Correction. Captain Jones is ordered to detain the £25, and the Clerk of the Peace is ordered to pay him the residue of the £165 5*s.* 4*d.* Certain Justices are appointed to see what abatement, if any, could be made in the rent of New Prison, and to report their opinion to the next Court of Quarter Sessions. [*Vide Sessions Book* 487, p. 92] ... ... p. 57

Thomas Johnson and John Robins, two of the Justices, report upon the accounts of Francis Hooper, chapelwarden of the "Hamblett of Wapping, Whitechappll.," for the year 1685, and other preceding officers of the said hamblett: they find that there is due to Francis Hooper the sum of £10, and to Mr. John Seller the sum of £15 8*s.* 4*d.*, that the said hamlet is in the whole indebted £150, which they consider ought to be raised by an "over rate." The present chapelwarden attended the present Court, stating that the over rate is already made. They find that Robert Davis, late chapelwarden, is indebted to the hamlet in the sum of £50, and Charles Mitchell,

another late chapelwarden, indebted to the sum of £5. The Court orders Robert Davis to pay the present churchwarden the £50, and Charles Mitchell to pay the £5, which sums are to be applied to the present relief of the poor: the present chapelwarden after paying the necessary expenses for the relief of the poor, out of the moneys that shall remain due to the said hamlet, shall pay to Francis Hooper the said sum of £10, and to the said John Sellers the said sum of £15 8*s.* 4*d.*, "and unto such other of the parish officers who are in disburse for the reliefe of the poor of the said hamblett" ... ... p. 59

John Fauteleroy, gentleman, churchwarden, of Isleworth, appealed against an order made at the previous Quarter Sessions directing him to remove Ann Lawrence from the parish of Heston to Isleworth, to which place she had been before conveyed by the order of John Phelps and Nicholas Grice, two of the Justices. The churchwarden of Isleworth insists that Ann Lawrence has no legal settlement in that parish, and prays that a day may be appointed for hearing the appeal. By consent of the parties interested the Court ordered the appeal to stand over to the next Quarter Sessions. Sir William Hill, knight, and Henry Hawley, esquire, two of the Justices inhabiting near the said parishes, are requested to examine the case, and report at the next Quarter Sessions... ... ... p. 60

The constables, headboroughs, &c., of St. Sepulchre's, petition the Court for leave to erect a watch-house in their parish. They allege that they have "noe watch-house . . . wherein to shelter them from the extremity of the weather when on their watch," and that the want of a roof has already occasioned the death of several of the inhabitants, and that they are no longer able to execute their offices without "hazard of their lives."

The Court ordered that they should forthwith set up a watch-house near the whipping post at Cowcross, at the charge of the parish, and that the same be "erected with a flatt roofe and doe not exceed five feet in height above the surface of the street there" ... ... p. 61

Dispute between the overseers, &c., of the hamlet of Mile End New Town, in the parish of Stepney, and the churchwardens, &c., of Stratford, in the parish of West Ham (Essex), respecting the last legal settlement of Thomas Woodall, who has three children, Mary, John, and Hannah, chargeable to Mile End. Upon the oath of Gerrard Dewart, and several other witnesses, that Thomas Woodall was last legally settled in Mile End New Town, the Court ordered that the churchwardens, &c., of Mile End should maintain and provide for the said children ... ... p. 62

Dispute between Samuel Wheeler and the widow of Richard Dowse, late overseer of St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, in 1687, and the churchwardens, &c., of St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, concerning the payment of £11 3*s.* 0*d.* disbursed by Dowse during his term of office. The present churchwardens insist that the accounts of Richard Dowse were not audited by the inhabitants, nor approved by two of the Justices. The Court nominated a committee of the inhabitants to audit the accounts, and requested two of the Justices, William Withers and William Underhill, esquires, living near to Shoreditch, to make the necessary orders for paying whatever should be shown to be due on Dowse's accounts.. ... ... *ibid.*

Appeal of Christopher Harrison, of Ladd Lane, against a bastardy order made by Sir James Butler, knight, and John Robins, esquire, at the instance of

Sarah Webb, widow. The Court is fully satisfied that the said Sarah Webb is "a lewd and common woman and that Christopher Harrison is not the father of the said bastard child," and the order of the two Justices is discharged p. 63

Edward Clarke, of Hendon, victualler, whose license had been suppressed "for that he kept an ill-governed and disorderly house," appeals against the suppression, alleging that the said order was obtained by "surprize"; that no disorders were committed in his house, and that it was more fitting for the entertainment and accommodation of travellers than any other in the parish. The Court ordered that the petitioner be heard at the next Court of Quarter Sessions. John Blott, gentleman, one of the high constables of the hundred of Gore, who attended to support the continued suppression of the license, was also ordered to appear ... ... p. 64

Dispute between the churchwardens, &c., of St. Giles'-in-the-Fields and St. Martin's-in-the-Fields as to the legal settlement of Mary Pickering, "a distracted" person. The former complain that Mary Pickering had been passed into their parish by an order of Walter Brydall and Robert Feilding, two of the Justices, in the previous November. The Court ordered the churchwardens of St. Giles to convey her into St. Martin's Parish, which parish was to receive and maintain her, and further pay 40/- to St. Giles, which had been expended on her relief in that parish ... ... p. 65

Mr. Upton, counsel for the inhabitants of the hill at Cowcross, in St. Sepulchre's Parish, alleges that the order which the constables and headboroughs of St. Sepulchre's had obtained for the erection of a watch-house, near the whipping post at Cowcross, was obtained by surprize; and that the erecting of the watch-house upon the hill, would be prejudicial to them in their trades, and prays that a day may be appointed for the hearing, and that, in the meantime, the execution of the order be stayed. The Court ordered that the inhabitants of the hill be heard at the next Quarter Sessions; the erection of the watch-house in the meantime to be stayed. [*Vide ante*, p. 61]... ... ... p. 67

David Davis convicted for falsely imprisoning William Rogers, and extorting from him £15 under pretence that he was guilty of high treason, was fined £6 13*s.* 4*d.*, and ordered to stand for an hour in the pillory at Hammersmith, near the Maypole; in the meantime he is remanded to Newgate, until he pay the fine, undergo the punishment, and pay the fees, £1 4*s.* 8*d.* ... ... p. 69

Upon information by the Right Honourable Henry Pollexfen, knight, Lord Chief Justice of the Common Pleas, Sir Thomas Byde, baronet, Sir Robert Sawyer, knight, Sir Edward Lutwitch, knight, "and other inhabitants of the Great Square," in the parish of St. Giles'-in-the-Fields, that many "robberys" have been lately committed in the square, &c., by the negligence of the constables of St. Giles'-in-the-Fields, in not providing a sufficient watch, and requesting that they might have liberty to provide and maintain, at their own cost, a watch in the square. The Court ordered that the inhabitants might place and maintain a sufficient watch and convenient stand for the watchmen at their charge in such convenient place in the said square as they shall think fit; the watch to be under the command of the constables of the said division, but not to be removed from the square except on "emergent occasions" ... ... p. 71

Upon information given by Sir Ambrose Phillips, knight, Thomas Strode, sergeant-at-law, Edward Jennings, John Cooke, Thomas Vernon, esquire, and other inhabitants of Little Lincoln's Inn Fields, Sheire Lane, and Bell Yard, in the parishes of St. Clement Danes and St. Dunstan's in the West, that many robberies, &c., have occurred for want of a sufficient watch, the Court grants liberty to the inhabitants, at their own cost, to furnish a sufficient watch in convenient spots in the said places "to be under the command of the constables of the respective divisions in this county" ... ... p. 72

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Order for vacating a former order of the 20th of January last, for suspending the erection of a watch-house at Cowcross, in the parish of St. Sepulchre's, in this county. [*Vide Sessions Book* 481, pp. 61 and 67] *ibid.*

Order for the churchwarden of St. James's, Clerkenwell, to pay John Page, constable of the said parish during the years 1688 and 1689, 10/-, and William Pakeman, headborough for the same years, £3 3*s.* 4*d.*, being money expended by them for passing cripples and vagabonds through the said parish ... ... p. 26

Order in a dispute between Thomas Dickenson, late of St. Giles'-in-the-Fields, glazier, and Samuel Rowell, his apprentice, concerning the discharge of the said apprentice. Upon proof that the said Dickenson lives in a cellar in Whitefriars, and follows the trade of a cook, and that he had neglected to provide wholesome food and lodging for the said apprentice, it is ordered that the said Rowell be discharged from his indenture of apprenticehood, and that Dickenson deliver up the said indenture together with the apparel of the apprentice... ... ... *ibid.*

Proceedings upon the petition of Edward Clark of Hendon, victualler, against an order of Sessions for suppressing his license. It being proved that the said Clark keeps a well governed alehouse, and that it is the most fitting house in the neighbourhood for the accommodation of travellers, it is ordered that the said order for suppression should be discharged. [*Vide Sessions Book* 481, p. 64] ... ... p. 27

Proceedings upon the petition of Captain Thomas Jones, keeper of the New Prison and the House of Correction at Clerkenwell, setting forth his expenses in aiding the sick prisoners, and praying reimbursement. Referred to certain Justices (named) to examine into the truth of the complaint . . . to reimburse the petitioner, and to report how the like charges may be prevented in future ... ... p. 28

Upon a hearing of the dispute between Eve Salmon and Richard Atkinson, of Hackney, yeoman, and Judith, his wife, touching the discharge of the said Eve from her indenture of apprenticehood to the said Judith, to whom she was bound for eight years to learn "the art of housewifery," it appearing that the said apprentice had been neglected by her employers, it is ordered she be discharged from her said indenture, and that she be at liberty to place herself in service elsewhere ... ... *ibid.*

Order that the several recognizances entered into by John Price, Frederick Sadier, Elizabeth Emmerson, Kath Morris and Thomas Lushington, and their sureties, for their appearance, be respited until further notice p. 29

David King, Luke Braisby, and John Morris, are all convicted for attempting to enter the house of Thomas Marsh, of Hendon; King and Morris are each fined five marks, and Braisby 20 marks. The said King, Braisby and Morris are severally ordered to be stripped naked from the middle upwards, and whipped at a cart's tail until their bodies be bloody, on Tuesday, the 24th of February instant, between 10 A.M. and 12 o'clock noon, from Holborn Bars to St. Giles's Pound, and back again. The said prisoners are committed to Newgate until they undergo the punishment; then to be delivered, paying their fees severally, 17/6 ... ... p. 31

Frances Hinton, otherwise West, is convicted for conveying Elizabeth, wife of William Tarply, on board a ship, on the Thames, with the intent of transporting her beyond seas: she is fined 13/4 and ordered to stand in and upon the pillory, on Thursday, the 26th of February instant, at the end of Hollowell Street, in the parish of St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, for one hour, between 10 A.M. and 12 o'clock noon; in the meantime she is committed to New Prison until she pay the fine and undergo the punishment; then to be delivered, paying her fees, 17/6 ... ... *ibid.*

John Burch and John Meere are convicted for unlawfully imprisoning Thomas Fitzwater for two hours, upon the pretence that they were press-masters; they are each fined five marks, and are ordered to stand in and upon the pillory on Saturday, the 28th of February instant, near Great Turnstile, in the parish of St. Giles-in-the-Fields, for one hour, between 10 A.M. and 12 o'clock noon: they are committed to New Prison until they undergo the punishment; then to be delivered, each paying his fee, 17/6 ... p. 32

John Maddox and William Jones are convicted, with others, for rioting, and for assaulting and wounding the Earl of Danby, John Vandenanda, and

William Champion: they are each fined one mark, and are ordered to stand in and upon the pillory on Monday, the 2nd of March next, near the Maypole in the Strand, for one hour, between 10 A.M. and 12 o'clock noon; they are committed to New Prison until they undergo the punishment; then to be delivered, each paying his fee, 17/6 ... ... p. 32

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Order that Robert Batson, one of the constables of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, do attend the Court on Friday next, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, and bring with him the money and melted silver in his custody, sealed up and delivered to him by Walter Brydall, esquire, one of the Justices, with the clippings, "sheers, files, and other things then alsoe in his custody," that this Court may make such further order as may be convenient .. ... p. 19

The churchwardens, &c., of Thames Ditton, Surrey, under the authority of ——— Bridges and ——— Nuthall, esquires, Justices, conveyed Martha Frater from their parish of Thames Ditton to St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, asserting that the said Martha Frater had, within 40 days before, come to settle within their parish in a tenement under the yearly value of £10, and was likely to become chargeable to the said parish if she fell ill, and suggesting that she was last a servant to one ——— Hall, of the parish of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields. The churchwardens, &c., of St. Martin's appeal to the Court, and the Court finds that she was not last legally settled in St. Martin's Parish, that she had been conveyed into the parish on insufficient proof from the house of Edward Avelyn, a porter in Thames Ditton. Ordered that the churchwardens of St. Martin's send her back to Thames Ditton ... ... *ibid.*

The churchwardens, &c., of St. Margaret's, Westminster, complain that "their poore are abundantly encreased within these few years, particularly by reason of the Dutch poore women and children," and petition that they may be allowed to make the next assessment for the relief of the poor "one halfe more than the same now is, and soe yearly" until the parish can lessen the same. The Court ordered that such an assessment and rate should be made for the year next ensuing, and appointed Sir John Cutler, knight and baronet, Sir Roger Langley, baronet, Richard Newman, esquire, Simon Smith, esquire, and Nehemiah Arnold, esquire, Justices, to do what "shall be most necessary and convenient" in the matter ... ... p. 20

Order that in future, to avoid the complaints which had been made to the Justices, of the inequality and uncertainty of the rates and charges, made

in the various parishes of the liberty for the relief of the poor, and for the repairing of the highways, all rates and assessments be made according to an equal pound rate of the yearly value of all the houses, &c., in the respective parishes; "and that upon the top of the leafes of any such books of assessment," it be expressly stated "what and how much in the pound the rate is"; further, that it be also written "in a faire column" after each person's name, the estimated yearly value of each person's holding ... ... p. 21

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Order for the churchwardens, &c., of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields to pay to George Silke, constable, of Hyde Park Ward, the sum of £6 11*s.* 7*d.*, due to him since 23 April, 1690, for passing and relieving vagrants and cripples, with an additional 5/- for the order ... ... *ibid.*

Order for the churchwardens, &c., of the parish of St. James to pay 5/- on the 1st of May next to Margaret Gibbs, "a very poor ancient widdow," for the relief of her grandson, John Gibbs, and an allowance of 5/- monthly till the Court make further order ... ... p. 23

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Duplicate order to Henry Wyatt, keeper of the gaol at St. Martin's-le-Grand, to discharge Henry Dyer, a prisoner for debt, from custody. 21 April, 1691. Creditors mentioned—John Goodall, of Christchurch, London, butcher; Robert Taylor, of St. Anne's and St. Agnes; William Ewer, of St. Alban's Street, Westminster, "victualer"; ——— Duke, "in the Pellmell"; Walter Clarke, "of St. Tooleys," scalemaker... ... p. 25

A similar duplicate order relating to Ezekiel Browne, to the same keeper of the same goal, 21 April, 1691. Creditors mentioned—George Pagit, of Whitechapel, baker; Jeremy Boonman, in Whitechapel, brewer; William Heatly, of Goodman's Fields, bricklayer; John Higgs, of "Spittlefeilds," cheesemonger: Joseph Taylor, of Stepney, threadman; John Eldrick, "yorneman"; William Beeke, of the same, 'victualer"; Adam Mason, of Old Bedlam, reedmaker; Mr. Stringer, of Bishopsgate Street, apothecary; Francis Gibbs, of Bishopsgate Street, porter, Richard Wild, of Shadwell, coal merchant; Jeremiah Bates, in Blow Court Fields, Stepney, surgeon; Jeremy Gun; John Alebone; William Close, of Bishopsgate Street; Peter

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Everett, of Bishopsgate Street; Samuel Thresher; Robert Garret, of "Fryday" Street; Edmund Turner; Timothy Safield; Francis Ford, of Whitefriars; Joseph Fishpoole; Richard Boner, Cheapside ... ... p. 27

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Upon the information of William Rainburrough, that Robert Stanton, raker, of the parish of St. Andrew's, Holborn, for the liberty above Bars, on the 14th of March last, did carry away soil in and from several paved streets within the said parish and liberty, being within the bills of mortality, in his cart, and did deliver the same on a certain laystall in St. Pancras Parish, without the bills of mortality in this county, where the streets are not paved, but less than half a mile beyond the paved streets within the said bills of mortality; and that the wheels of the said carts are not 6 inches in breadth in the felley, and are wrought about with iron work against the form of the statute of 2 William and Mary, whereby the said Stanton has forfeited 40/-; it is ordered that the said Stanton be convicted for the offence, and that a distress be levied upon

his goods and chattels for the said sum, a moiety of which is for the relief of the poor of St. Andrew's, and the other moiety for the said Rainburrough, who discovered and prosecuted the said Stanton for the offence ... ... p. 67

Memorial from the Justices of the Peace for Middlesex to the Lords of the Treasury, setting forth that an allowance has hitherto been made to 18 Justices of the Peace, and that owing to the multiplicity of business, their Majesties have augmented the number. The petitioners pray that the usual allowance of 4/- a day may be made to six more Justices for the said county, to be paid to them, with the said 18 justices, out of the fines that are or shall be set in future. *The names of* 44 *Justices follow* ... p. 69

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Dispute between Walter Hone, of Limehouse Hamlet, Stepney, gardener, and William Masters, his apprentice, concerning the discharge of the said Masters. It appearing that the said Hone had neglected to provide for the said apprentice, it is ordered that he be discharged from his indentures, and that the said Hone deliver up the apparel of the said apprentice ... p. 73

For the better discovery of all persons disaffected to the Government, it is ordered that the chief constables of every division in this county give notice to all the Justices, constables, headburroughs, churchwardens, overseers, beadles, and all other offices whatsoever, to attend the Court on Friday "next" at 10 A.M., and to bring a list of the names of those disaffected or dangerous to the Government, to the intent that they may be summoned to take the oath of allegiance ... ... p. 74

Upon the report made by two Justices (named), to whom it was referred on the 15th of January last, to examine whether John Loveing, of Ealing, otherwise Little Yeeling, in this county, esquire, is over-rated for his estate, for parish duties, and it appearing he is overcharged to the amount of £15 yearly; it is ordered that the said Loveing be rated at £45 yearly, and no more ... ... p. 75

Upon the petition of James Bayley and James Pulman, mariners, and John Tyzacke, gentleman, all of the lower hamlet of "Wapping, Stepney," showing they were chosen scavengers of the said hamlet, contrary to the meaning of the late Act of Parliament, the appearance of the churchwardens and overseers is ordered on Tuesday, the 26th of May next, to show cause why the said petitioners should not be discharged ... ... *ibid.*

Proceedings upon the petition of Richard Long, of St. Margaret's, Westminster, a poor maimed soldier. Shows that he has been a pensioner about 30 years, and is very aged and infirm; the number of pensioners in this county being much decreased he prays an addition to his pension. Ordered that his pension be augmented by 40/- a year, the said pensioner to receive, for the future, £5 yearly out of the public money of this county p. 76

Upon the dispute between John Sellers, chapelwarden of Wapping Hamlet, Whitechapel, for 1688, and John Welby, present chapelwarden, concerning the payment of £15 8*s.* 4*d.* (*sic*) due to the said Sellers for money disbursed by him during his term of office, it is ordered that the said Welby

pay the said Sellers £10 forthwith, and the remaining £5 8*s.* 10*d.* (*sic*) on or before the 1st of June next. [*Vide Sessions Book*, 481, p. 59] ... p. 76

Proceedings upon the petition of the churchwardens and ancient inhabitants of the parish of St. Giles-in-the-Fields. Shows that there are divers sums of money expended yearly for the repair of the highways in the said parish, for the raising of which money a rate has been yearly made by the general consent of the inhabitants, but that certain housekeepers refuse to pay the said rate, there being no law to compel them before the provision made for that purpose in the late Act for cleansing the streets; and that the common highways in the said parish cannot be sufficiently repaired without the help of the said Act. They pray an order for making an assessment on the inhabitants of the said parish for the repair of the said highways for this present year 1691. Ordered accordingly ... ... p. 77

Order of reference to two Justices (named), concerning a bastard child, whereof Thomas Holliers, of Kensington, is the reputed father ... p. 78

Dispute between Anthony Pinckney, of St. Giles-in-the-Fields, cooper, and Edward Markley, his apprentice, concerning the discharge of the said apprentice: upon proof that the said Pinckney is a prisoner for debt, and incapable of providing for or instructing the said apprentice, it is ordered that the said Markley be discharged ... ... p. 79

Proceedings upon the petition of John Read, of Goswell Street, victualler, and of Elizabeth, his wife. Shows that Peter Ayres, late of Wapping Hamlet, Whitechapel, mariner, died at sea last May on his voyage home from the Canaries, where he went about August, 1689, leaving a widow, Susanna (who shortly after died), and two children, and that at the request of the said Susanna, who was the sister of the said Elizabeth, the petitioner took care of the two children, one of whom was apprenticed and the other placed in Christ's Hospital; and that the chapelwarden has appropriated all the said Susanna's goods, together with £9 9*s.* 9*d.*, being the wages of the said Peter. Prays that the said chapelwarden be compelled to make the petitioners satisfaction for the same. Ordered that John Welby, the chapelwarden, do attend the Justices at their next meeting at Mile End, and show how he has disposed of the said goods and money ... ... p. 80

Order for paving Kensington Square:—By their certificate, dated the 14th of January last, five Justices have certified that, pursuant to an Act for paving and cleansing the streets in the cities of London and Westminster, and suburbs and liberties thereof, &c.; they had viewed a new street in the town of Kensington, leading from the middle of the said town to the new street called the Square, and also the east, north, and south sides of the said square; and that they considered the said new street leading to the said square, that is to say, the common road or highway leading through Kensington aforesaid to the said new street, called the Square, fit to be paved with stone, and also the east, north, and south sides of the square, "from the place designed for free-stone pavement before the several and respective houses there, to the rails in the said square." Ordered that the paving be carried out by the 24th of June next ... ... p. 81

Order for paving Beak Street:—Certificate, dated the 15th of April instant, of two Justices, that they have inspected the common highway called

Beak Street, in the parish of St. James's, within the liberty of Westminster, and that they consider the said street fit to be paved with stone, from the corner of Major Ogar's house to Swallow Street, containing in length 45 yards, and in breadth "forty-five yards more or less." Ordered that the said street be paved by the 24th of June next ... ... p. 82

A like certificate, of the same date, concerning the inspection of the common highway called Swallow Street, St. James's Parish, Westminster. It is adjudged fit to be paved with stone, from the house of Adam Motte to the houses of Mr. Maidwell and Mr. Hinch, in the same street, containing in length 117 yards, and in breadth 8 yards "more or less." Ordered that the said street be paved by the 24th of June next ... ... p. 80

Order for Sara Drew to be passed from the Liberty of the Rolls, in the parish of St. Dunstan's-in-the-West, to the parish of St. Mary, Aldermary, where she was last legally settled ... ... p. 84

Proceedings upon the petition of Deborah Peirson, on behalf of her son Henry. Shows that she apprenticed her said son for seven years to Thomas Davis, of Shadwell, mariner, and that the said Davis died on the 20th of January, 1688. His widow, Sarah, being incapable of instructing the said apprentice, petitioner prays that the said Henry may be discharged. Upon proof that the said Sarah had provided an able mariner to instruct the said apprentice, and that the said apprentice was in His Majesty's service, and in receipt of 32/- monthly, of which the said Sarah ought to have the benefit for the remainder of the term, it is ordered that the petition be discharged, and that the said apprentice do serve the said Sarah until the expiration of his apprenticehood ... ... p. 85

Proceedings upon the petition of John Jewks, Timothy Ware, and others, inhabitants within the parish of St. Leonard's, Shoreditch. Shows that they are rated towards the scavengers rate in the said parish, and that the said Jewks is now chosen scavenger, notwithstanding that they dwell in Kingsland Road, and have nothing to do with the pavements, neither did they in time past ever pay towards cleansing the streets; they pray direction whether they who live on the highway and distant from the pavements should pay the said rate, or be chosen for the said office. The Court is of opinion that all inhabitants of the said parish who live distant from the pavements ought to contribute to the said rate in proportion with those who live in the streets, lanes, and alleys already paved; and that John Jewks is duly elected and ought to serve in the said office. Ordered accordingly ... ... p. 86

Petition of the churchwardens of St. Giles-in-the-Fields, St. Andrew's, Holborn, and St. Clement Danes. Shows that, in Hilary term last, George Howard, the Sheriff's bailiff, levied upon the churchwardens of the two first-named parishes £10 each, and upon those of the latter £9, by virtue of an execution obtained by William Brookes against the inhabitants of Ossulston Hundred, for a robbery committed in the said hundred; and prays that the said sum be assessed proportionably throughout the said hundred. It is referred to the Justices residing in or near St. Giles' Parish to consider, at their next meeting, to be held at the "Court House, in Bloomsbury in Holborn," what the said Howard has levied of the petitioners, and to assess it according to their discretions; after such assessment made, the constables, &c.,

are to tax and assess the inhabitants of the hundred according to their abilities to pay ... ... p. 87

Upon the petition of George Howard, showing that he was apprenticed to William Peirce, of St. Giles's Without, Cripplegate, weaver, for seven years, and that the said Peirce is now a prisoner in the King's Bench, and incapable of providing for him, and praying he may be discharged from his apprenticeship, it is ordered that the said apprentice be discharged from his apprenticeship ... ... p. 88

Certificate, dated the 14th of January last, of five Justices (named), and pursuant to the Act of 2 William and Mary, that they have viewed and inspected the north side of the highway in the town of Kensington, and that they consider it fit to be paved with stone from the east end of the house of Thomas Johnson, gentleman, then untenanted, there westward to the west end of that of John Watkins, blacksmith; and that they had inspected the south side of the said highway, which they considered fit to be paved, from the east side of Mr. Coleby's door, westward to the west side of a door entering the garden of John Simmons, a gardener, "over against the house of the aforesaid John Watkins." Ordered that the said highways be paved by the 24th day of June next ... ... p. 89

Order that Thomas Arundell, gentleman, and treasurer for the maimed soldiers for the hundreds of Elthorn, Spelthorn, and Isleworth, do pay Alice Bradford, widow of Henry Bradford, a poor maimed soldier, 17/6 for a quarter's pension, due last Lady Day ... ... p. 90

Petition of Richard Slater and John Whalett, scavengers for Norton Folgate Liberty, in the parish of St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, for 1690. Shows that the money assessed and collected for cleansing the streets will not amount to the sum agreed upon to pay the rakers, and prays an order for a rate for payment of the money due. Ordered that an assessment according to a pound rate be imposed upon the inhabitants of the said liberty for the expense incurred in cleansing the streets. Instructions concerning the payment of the same ... ... *ibid.*

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Order to view a highway [in the parish of Kensington] on Thursday, the 21st of May next. William Feild and Edward Martin to be present on the part of the King and Queen, and Francis Gotobed and John Ilford on the part of the inhabitants. The result of such view to be exhibited at the Sessions to be held on Tuesday, the 26th of May next ... ... p. 92

Upon the account of Henry Hawley, treasurer of the money raised for repairing Chertsey and Brentford bridges, and it appearing by the certificate of certain Justices (named) that they had carefully examined the account (the balance of which is £90 4*s.* 10*d.*), and had found the same to be correct; it is ordered that the said account be ratified and confirmed ... ... p. 93

Order for passing William Hamby from Hampton Wick to the parish of Atherton, in Southampton, he being the child of Elizabeth Baker, wife of

Bartholomew Baker, who was last legally settled in the said parish of Atherton, Isle of Wight ... ... p. 94

Order for John Turner and John Gravett to be headboroughs of Ickenham, in the place of William Gravett and John Marlow, yeomen, who have served in the aforesaid office for two years and upwards ... ... p. 95

Upon the petition of James Bayly and James Pulman, mariners, and John Tyzack, gentleman, inhabitants of Wapping Hamlet, Stepney, showing they were chosen scavengers, contrary to a certain Act, it is ordered that James Bayly and James Pulman be discharged from serving as scavengers, they being masters of ships and seldom at home, but that John Tyzack be duly elected to the said office [*vide ante*, p. 75] ... ... p. 96

Ann Eccleston, convicted for obtaining "twenty pieces, called shillings" of false money, with the intent of passing the same as good and lawful coin of the realm, is fined 10 marks, and is ordered "to be stripped naked from the middle upwards," and to be whipped at a cart's tail "until her body be bloody," on Saturday, the 25th of April instant, between 10 A.M. and 12 o'clock noon, from Holborn Bars to St. Giles's Pound. She is committed to New Prison until she undergo the punishment; then to be delivered, paying her fees, 17/6 ... ... p. 97

Alice Nayland, convicted for obtaining three ounces of silver clippings, knowing the same to have been clipped from the current coin of the realm, is fined 10 marks, and is ordered to stand upon the pillory near the Maypole in the Strand, on Monday, the 27th of April "instant," for one hour, between 10 A.M. and 12 o'clock noon; she is committed to New Prison until she undergo the punishment; then to be delivered, paying her fees, 17/6 ... ... *ibid.*

Jane, wife of Humphrey Burton, convicted for procuring three ounces of silver clippings, one file and two pairs of shears for clipping money, is fined 10 marks, and is ordered to stand upon the pillory, near the Maypole in the Strand, on Monday next, the 27th of April, for one hour, between 10 A.M. and 12 o'clock noon. She is committed to New Prison until she pay the fine, and undergo the punishment; then to be delivered, paying her fees, 15/- ... ... p. 98

George Robinson, John Banfeild, and James Osborne, convicted for illegally impressing Evan Price, with the intent of extorting money from him, are severally fined 5 marks, and are ordered to stand in and upon the pillory on Saturday next, the 25th of April. for one hour, between 10 A.M. and 12 o'clock noon, before the great gates of Hickshall, in St. John Street; they are committed to New Prison until they undergo the punishment, and then to be delivered, paying their fees, 17/6 each ... ... *ibid.*

William Hodges, convicted for profanely cursing His Majesty, is fined 20 nobles, and ordered to stand in and upon the pillory on Monday, the 27th of April, near the Maypole in the Strand, and on Tuesday, the 28th, against Gray's Inn Gate, in the High Street, in Holborn, for one hour, between 10 A.M. and 12 o'clock noon of each day, and to remain in prison for three months, without bail or mainprize. Afterwards the said Hodges is ordered to find sureties for his appearance at the next Sessions to

be held at the end of the said three months, and to be of good behaviour for twelve months next ensuing; he is committed to New Prison until he pay the said fine, undergo the punishment, and find such surety as aforesaid, then to be delivered, paying his fees, 19/10 ... ... p. 99

John Newell convicted for obtaining 100 pieces of false money for illegal purposes, is fined 10 marks, and is ordered to be stripped naked from the middle upwards and whipped at a cart's tail until his body be bloody, on Friday, the 8th of May next, between 10 A.M. and 12 o'clock noon, from Holborn Bars to St. Giles's Pound; and he is further ordered to find sureties for his appearance at the next Sessions, and to be of good behaviour for one year next ensuing; he is committed to Newgate until he pay the fine, undergo the punishment, and find such security, then to be delivered, paying his fees, 19/4 ... ... p. 99

Sarah, the wife of the said John Newell, indicted for the like offence, and acquitted, is to be delivered out of Newgate, upon payment of her fee, 15/- ... ... p. 100

Robert Niccolls, indicted for defrauding Henry Lanyon, "of severa goods and clothes by a false token," is fined 40 marks, and is ordered to stand in and upon the pillory before the great gates of Hickshall, on Saturday, the 25th of April "instant," between 10 A.M. and 12 o'clock noon; he is committed to New Prison until he pay the said fine, and undergo the punishment, then to be delivered, paying his fees, 17/6 ... ... *ibid.*

Upon the information that Henry, Lord Viscount Sydney, has received some misinformation touching the proceedings of this Court against the Sheriff of Middlesex, for respiting the judgment given against John Burch and John Meere, upon his lordship's letter; it is ordered that certain Justices (named) do attend his lordship, on the 26th instant, at 5 P.M. to inform him of their proceedings in the matter, and that no reflections were made on his lordship touching his said letter ... ... p. 101

Order that Mr. Robert Hardisty, attorney of their Majesties' Court of King's Bench at Westminster, do appear for the inhabitants of Ossulston Hundred, at the suit of ——— Lloyd, for a robbery committed upon him in the said hundred ... ... *ibid.*

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The like of John, son of John Tall, citizen and fishmonger of London, to Anthony Robinson, of St. Clement Danes, tailor, dated 21 April, 1691; to serve for eight years ... ... p. 107

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"John Farr, of the parish of St. Sepulchre, ——— order to appear by Mr. Hardisty att the county's charge to defend this suit, the trunk being taken in the night, when Farr was on his watch, on suspicion of being stolne.

"Christopher Meidell, preacher to a congregation of dissenting protestants in Nightingale Lane, att the house of John James, ——— Wapping.

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"Stephen Lobb, preacher to a congregation of dissenting protestants at his house in Hampstead.

"Robert Hopkins, preacher to a congregation of dissenting protestants at his house in St. Paul, Covent Garden, Parish, Shandes Street.

"John Reeson, preacher to a congregation of dissenting protestants in the same parish, Hart Street.

"Henry Slade, preacher to a congregation of dissenting protestants in the parish of St. Clement Danes."

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Order to Charles Pratten, late constable of the Strand, to pay £1 8*s.* 8*d.* each to John Smyth and Robert Circuit, their wages, by agreement during the time that he was constable of the Strand ... ... p. 44

Order for discharging Samuel Page from his apprenticeship with William Knott, plaisterer, of St. Andrew's, Holborn. Proved by Edward Tallant and

others that Knott had neglected to provide his apprentice with wholesome diet, &c., and had not instructed him in his trade ... ... p. 44

Similar order discharging Francis Quarrell from his indentures with William Gatley, colourman, of St. Buttolph Without, Aldgate. Quarrell complained that his master had compelled him to carry great burthens and given him "imoderate correction," and, on 29 April, "had turned him out of doors." William Gatley did not appear, though on the oath of Thomas Swinnerton it was shewn he had had due notice ... ... p. 45

Order for "Madam" Jane Lukener to pay £8 6*s.* 0*d.* due to John Stayner as wages, which she had refused to pay. Mrs. Lukener insisted that Stayner had by his carelessness as coachman overturned her coach, and by his negligence had done her other considerable mischief. Mrs. Lukener confessed that she then lived, and for several years past had lived, apart from her husband and had an allowance of £150 for her separate maintenance.

Order for Thomas Bennett, chirurgeon, of St. Giles-in-the-Fields, to pay £20 to his apprentice, Thomas Hotchkin, out of £30 claimed by the said apprentice. Hotchkin alleged "that his master hath sent him to sea, and forced him to buy all his own medicines which cost above thirty pounds." Bennett insisted that he was entitled to their Majesties' pay for the service of the apprentice, and that he was willing to allow what was "reasonable for medicines," but that the medicines were too dear, and bought without his consent ... ... p. 47

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Proceedings upon the petition of the churchwardens of St. Anne's, within the liberty of Westminster, showing that about £50 has been necessarily expended in repairing the highways belonging to the said parish, and praying

an order for an assessment to be made for the same; the Justices (according to the Act, 30 Charles II, for making part of the parish of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, a new parish, to be called the parish of St. Anne's, within the Liberty of Westminster) allow the sum of £60 to be assessed for the reimbursement of the said £50, already expended ... ... p. 25

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Order that the matters in difference between Sir John Ashford, baronet, and his late servant, Robert Not, concerning wages, alleged by the latter to be due, be referred to certain Justices ... ... *ibid.*

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Order to Henry Wyatt, keeper of the gaol at St. Martin's-le-Grand, for the discharge of James Hodgson (without payment of any fine or chamber rent) imprisoned in the said gaol for debt. Dated 6 July, 1691 ... p. 29

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Order to John Higgs, one of the constables in the parish of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, to deliver to Edward Carey, high bailiff of this liberty, a hundredweight and a half of lead, "lately taken by certain soulder" (*sic*) within the said liberty ... ... p. 34

Upon the complaint that the parishes of St. Clement Danes and St. Mary-le-Savoy, within the Liberty of Westminster, are insufficiently protected for the want of watchmen and stands, it is ordered that the constables of the said parishes place a watchman to guard, from 9 P.M. until 6 A.M., at the lanes, streets, and places hereafter named:—

St. Clement Danes Parish:—
Little Lincoln's Inn Fields, near the sign of the Crown; at the upper end of Ship Yard; St. Clement's Inn Coffee house; near the Five Bells, in Witch Street; in Stanhopp Street, near Blackmore Street end; at the Bullhead, in Vere Street; at Gilbert's passage, in Clare Market; and near the sign of the Feathers at the end of Haughton Street, next Clare Market.

And in the parish of St. Mary, Savoy:—
At the Maypole in the Strand; and at Katherine Street end, in the Strand ... ... p. 34

Upon the certificate of two Justices (named), both dwelling in the parish of St. Margaret's, Westminster, showing that there is a new street, called Tufton Street, in the said parish, leading from the Bowling Alley in Westminster, south, unto the highway, running from the horse ferry towards Tuttle

Fields, all built on one side, and a great part also of the other side, and which is fit to be paved, it is ordered that the owners and inhabitants of the houses in the said street, shall pave the same, before the 25th of December next, or forfeit 40/- ... ... p. 35

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William Gatley, of St. Buttolph Without, Aldgate, applied to have the order, cancelling the indentures of his apprentice, Francis Quarrill, discharged. Mr. Harcourt, his counsel, alleged that the order was obtained "by surprize." Mr. Darnall appeared for Quarrill, and urged that the Court had already executed their authority. The Court confirmed the order previously made ... ... p. 54

Order to the treasurer for the maimed soldiers in Elthorn, Spelthorn, and Isleworth Hundred to pay to William Bramsgrove, Thomas Lincorne, and Thomas Turner, poor maimed soldiers and pensioners, 20*s*. apiece over and above their former pensions: 10/- apiece to be paid for their present relief, and a total of £3 yearly apiece in the future ... ... p. 55

Order for the suppressing a disorderly alehouse kept by Thomas Saunders, of Hampton ... ... p. 56

Order for the paving of Bluegate Field and Canon Street, Stepney. The Justices appointed in June, 1691, to view the spot, report that "they did adjudge" Bluegate Street, near Ratcliffe Highway, Stepney, fitt to be paved with stone at the north end thereof, from the end of the pavement there to a certain place called the back lane there by the owners and inhabitants thereof"; and that they had also viewed and inspected "the new street called Cannon Street . . . and did adjudge itt fitt to be paved with stone at the south end thereof . . . upon a line ranging with the denter stones in the middle of the said street to the denter stone of the middle of the street there called Ratcliffe Highway, from the said line to the houses and ground on the east side thereof, and soe ranging with the said houses on a line to the said denter stone in Ratcliffe Highway, by Robert Hastings, esquire, . . . and from the said line to the houses on the west side . . . and soe ranging with the said houses on a line with the said denter stone in Ratcliffe Highway by Mr. Samuell Miller or his Tennants" ... ... p. 57

Order for paving Old Gravel Lane. Two of the Justices of the Tower Division, Charles Osborne and Thomas Johnson, had viewed the piece of the King's highway called Old Gravel Lane, Stepney, containing 170 feet in length, and adjudged it fit to be paved with stone on the east side to the middle or denter stone there, from the house of Thomas Johnson, called the Crooked Billet, to the house of Richard Poole, called the George; and on the west side thereof to the said middle or denter stone from the house of John Johnson, deal merchant, to the house of Christian Dodson, called the Cart and Horses ... ... p. 59

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Order to the churchwardens, &c., of St. Mary's, Islington, to make a rate for the repair of the highways, complaint as to their condition having been made to the Court by Lord Lucas, governor of the Tower of London, and Sir Francis Smyth, knight ... ... p. 61

Order to the churchwardens, &c., of St. Mary-le-Savoy, to provide for Bridgett Badwell, who passed from St. Bride's parish to the Savoy ... p. 62

Order for Edward Steel to serve Elizabeth Apprice, widow, the remainder of his term of apprenticeship. Edward Steel stated that on 1 May, 1684, he had been bound apprentice to John Apprice, of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, painter-stainer, for nine years; he had served for seven years when his master died, and Elizabeth, his widow, refuses to instruct him, and so he prays his indentures may be discharged. Elizabeth insists that since her husband's death she has provided able workmen to instruct this apprentice, and that he was now capable of doing her good service ... ... p. 63

On the petition of the inhabitants of Kensington the Court allowed an extension of time for paving the common highway in the parish with stone, which had been ordered to be completed by the 20th June last past. The time was extended to 24 August, and six of the Justices were authorised to nominate and appoint overseers of the work, and to report to next Court of Quarter Sessions ... ... p. 64

Order for suppressing the alehouse licenses of William Eustage, "of Great Ealing, otherwise Zealing, and Alice Andrews of the same, widow" ... ... p. 65

Order for discharging William Brind, one of the constables of St. Giles'-in-the-Fields, from his office. Thomas Owen, one of the Justices, made complaint that Brind had refused to execute a warrant duly made out "for the seizing of fruit exposed to sale," thereby neglecting the duty of his office. Mr. Owen to nominate a fit person to serve for the rest of the year ... p. 65

Order for reference to certain Justices to ascertain the "proportions" of paving Kensington Square, to limit a further day, and to report thereon. At the April Court it had been ordered that the square should be paved from the "place designed for freestone pavement to the rails in the said square." It was reported to the Court that the time "limited" is past, and great part of the

work not done, by reason the "proportions" of the said paving charge are not "ascertained" on the inhabitants and owners of the houses adjoining p. 66

Order to William Bird, treasurer for the maimed soldiers for the hundred of Ossulton, to pay to George Russell, a pensioner, 20/- for his present relief ... ... *ibid.*

Order that John Whitehurst, of Tottenham High Cross, be discharged from serving the office of churchwarden for the parish of Edmonton, and that John Mulberry, of Edmonton, yeoman, be one of the overseers for Edmonton for the "churchward there" for the present year. It appears that John Whitehurst's house was partly in Edmonton, but the greater part in Tottenham; that he and others who had occupied the house had served several offices in Tottenham parish, but never in Edmonton, and that was the reason he had refused to serve as overseer for Edmonton ... ... p. 67

Order for paving Crowne Street, heretofore called Hogg Lane, the east side being in the parish of St. Giles'-in-the-Fields, and the west side in the parish of St. Ann, Westminster, on the representation of four of the Justices. The Court ordered that the portion of the street unpaved from the north end leading from Acton road against St. Giles's Pound; from the corner house on the east side—in the occupacon of George Powell, called by the sign of the Crown—to the extent of the ground of Elizabeth Fawtry, and then from the corner house on the west side then in the occupacon of John Mirde, carpenter, unto the house of ——— Smyth, widd, be paved, as for the want of such pavement the street is almost impassable in the winter time ... p. 68

Order for Simon Penn, keeper of the prison of the Dean and Chapter of St. Paul's, called Finsbury Prison, to attend the next Court of Quarter Sessions and show cause why he did not allow certain prisoners to appear at the last Court, that they might take advantage of the Acts for discharging poor prisoners for debt. He is further ordered to bring the following prisoners before the Justices—Francis Stringer, Edward Alexander, Benjamin Wells, Andrew Green, John Blake, Edward Stone, William Birkett, Samuel Blake, John Cole, John Cope, Richard Kingsman, Henry Seals, Richard Nash, Godfry Taylor, Andrew Paine, Samuel Hill, William Cutler, Isaac Adished, Anthony Pitts, and Charles Palmer ... ... p. 69

Order for paving with stone the highway "leading from the east side of Clerkenwell Green to St. John Street on both sides of the way" by the 18th of October next ... ... p. 70

Order for the making of a new scavengers' rate for the parish of Shoreditch. A complaint was made to the Court by "divers" of the parish of St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, that they had lately been assessed at 6*d.* in the pound to the scavengers' rate, which they considered excessive; that the rate was made without their knowledge; and that several inhabitants of "Haggerston, Morefeilds, and other parts there" have been over-rated and some under rated. The inhabitants of "Church End Liberty" who had made the rate, and objected to, were called before the Court ... ... p. 71

Order made for making a new rate for the relief of the poor for the hamlet of Wapping [in the margin "Shadwell"] on the report of two of the Justices, Thomas Johnson and Robert Hastings. They reported that the former rate was irregularly and imperfectly made.

A petition from the inhabitants of the Liberty of Moorfields, showing that "watches are kept only every other night," so that felonies and burglaries are committed, to the great danger of the petitioners, who pray that they may have power to elect constables, and so have a watch and scavengers of their own. The Court directed certain of the Justices to call before them the parish officers and enquire into the matter, and to report to the Court on the 11th of August, and in the meantime to order and direct that watches be duly set and kept in the liberty ... ... p. 74

Order for the paving of Whitehorse Street to the upper end of a new street called London Street, in the hamlet of Ratcliffe, in the parish of Stepney, on both sides of the way, upon the report of two of the Justices who had been appointed at the previous Court to view the road, Thomas Johnson and John Robins. The work to be done by 20 August ... ... p. 75

Order concerning the proportions of the paving charge of Kensington Square. Three of the Justices to whom the matter had been referred on the 24th of July made their report. The Court ordered that the rates mentioned in the report and annexed to the order be observed, "and that the pavements there undone be done and finished by Bartholomew Day next"; that "the charge of paving the angles of the said square doe lye upon the adjoyneing buildings to the said angles according to their dimensions abutting on any the said new streets, and that the owners of the void places there sett out for building for any building terme or any greater estate, doe levell the places of the said streets adioyneing to their void ground and make the same firme and serviceable . . . for carrying off sky water to the common sewer" p. 76

Order upon the Queen's letter for the better observance of the Lord's Day and putting the laws in execution against profane cursing and swearing, and "all prophanation of the Lord's Day, by people travelling, selling or exposing anything to sale by exercise of their ordinary callings thereon or by using any other vain imployments or sports, and especially by tipling thereon or on any part thereof, and neglecting the worship and service of God, and also against the odious and loathsome sin of drunkennesse, and against all houses of debauchery and evill fame." The Clerk of the Peace is to cause the order to be printed and affixed upon the great gates of Hickshall, the church doors and all other public places of each parish ... ... p. 78

Order for two of the Justices to examine the accounts of John Jarvis, late overseer of the parish of St. Paul's, Shadwell, and to report thereon at the next Court. In his petition John Jarvis complains that he was elected to the office "when he was two hundred miles distant from home, and notwithstanding when he came home undertook the trouble of that office with a verry contentious partner who left him to gather the greatest part of the money himselfe, in collecting whereof he was att extraordinary expence, haveing a headburrough and a beadle severall days to make distresses, and that he being illiterate was necessitated to make use of a scrivener to keep his account, and has disbursed att one time one hundred and forty pounds or thereabouts before he had received any of the parish money, whereof he borrowed fifty pounds and paid three pounds interest for the same, which interest and charge amounts to twelve pounds fifteene shillings and twopence." When adjusting his accounts the auditors refused to allow his disbursements, though the same allowance has been made to other overseers ... ... p. 81

Order concerning street lighting from Michaelmas to Lady Day. The Court, being informed that several persons do not hang out any lights, and that "the patentees whoo doe cause the lamps to be placed by agreement with the said householders doe place them at too great a distance," directs that the Justices inhabiting the several divisions are to give their attention to the matter, and take such action as may be necessary ... ... p. 82

Order for paving Old Soho, otherwise Wardour Street, the eastern side of which is in St. Anne's, Westminster, and the western side in the parish of St. James's, Westminster, on the report of two of the Justices, who had been appointed to inspect the place. They recommended that the street be paved with stone on both sides of the way, viz., on "St. Ann's side from the house belonging to Mr. Bayly, of Great Queen Street, baker, to the house of Nicholas Speerman, known by the name of the 'Redd Cow,' and on St. James' side from the house of Mr. Peter Churchlow to the house of David Pew, known by the name of the 'Spotted Dogg.'" The work was ordered to be finished by 20 September ... ... p. 84

Order for the paving of Dane (*sic*) Street in the parish of St. Ann's, Westminster, on the report of two of the Justices, who had been authorised to inspect the street. The Court ordered that the street be paved on both sides of the way, from "the back part of the house of the Lord Bullingbrooke and from the house of Mr. Samuell Commins over against itt, to the house of Edward Channell, wheelwright, and to the house of James Palmer, known by the name of the 'Coach and Horses,' att the north end of the said street, on or before" 20 September ... ... p. 85

Order on the report of the Right Honourable Robert Lord Lucas, Chief Governor of the Tower, and Thomas Johnson, two of the Justices, for paving Ayliffe Street in Goodman's Feilds, in the parish of St. Mary Matfellon, otherwise Whitechapel, leading from Mansell Street to Goodman's Gate; Redlyon Street, leading from High Street, Whitechapel, "to a certain street called Lemmon Street in Goodman's Feilds," and Lemmon Street leading from Redlyon Street into Rosemary Lane. The paving to be completed by 29 September ... ... p. 86

Order for the paving of both sides of Church Lane in the parish of St. Mary Matfellon, otherwise Whitechapel, leading from the end of the pavement in the High Street to Goodman's Feilds Gate, before 29 September, on the report of the two Justices mentioned in the last order ... ... p. 87

Order for paving, on both sides of the way, High Street, Whitechapel, from "the end of the pavement near the church to a certaine house called or known by the signe of the 'Artichoake,' near a certaine place called the Mount." The work to be done by 29 September. The same two Justices make the report... ... ... p. 88

Order, on the report of Lord Lucas and John Robins, two of the Justices, that the street or way in the hamlet of Bow, in the parish of Stepney leading from Bowbridge to Bromley, be paved on both sides of the way by 29 September" ... ... p. 89

Order for Elizabeth Forster, "widdow," to be removed from the hamlet of Spittlefeilds to St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, and maintained there ... ... p. 90

Upon the report of four Justices, appointed for that purpose at the previous Quarter Sessions, the Court ordered that the constables, churchwardens, overseers, and surveyors of the parish of St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, shall elect "one constable more than is already elected" out of the inhabitants of the liberty of Moorfields; further that "the present scavengers and rakers . . . doe carry or cause to be carried away all the dust, ashes, filth, and soyle from the houses" within the liberty, till Easter; at the Easter Vestry an extra scavenger is to be elected for the liberty of Moorfields. p. 90

Order for the payment of money due to Captain Thomas Jones, keeper of the New Prison, and governor of the House of Correction at Clerkenwell. Three Justices were appointed at the January Quarter Sessions to examine and report on the claim. It was ordered by the Court that the report be filed with the Clerk of the Peace, and that the yearly sum of £25 formerly paid by the keeper of New Prison to the governor of the House of Correction "be allowed to . . . Thomas Jones out of his rent for New Prison for the government of the said House of Correction untill further order to the contrary;" further, the Clerk of the Peace is to pay Thomas Jones the sum of £115 5*s.* 4*d.* [*Vide Sessions Book* 481, p. 57] ... ... p. 92

Order for a watch to be kept in Long Alley "next adjoyneing to Morefeilds in the liberty of Norton Folgate in Finsbury division." Several of the inhabitants had complained to the Court that "they have had a standing watch kept between the signe of the Dolphin and Long Alley end next unto Morefeilds for att least fifty years past, as they could make appear, the said place haveing been well liked of by divers high constables, itt being much for the safety of the petitioners who dwell soe near Morefeilds, where frequent outrages and robberies are committed." They prayed the Court to grant an order for the continuance of the watch, so that no constable or other officer in the future should alter the same without leave from the Court ... ... p. 93

Order for the constables, headboroughs, &c., of New Town, in the hamlet of Mile End, in the parish of Stepney, to pay to Elizabeth, the widow of Robert Phipps, a former constable, the sum of £9 0*s.* 9*d.*, which had been expended in passing cripples and vagabonds, and other charges. Elizabeth Phipps complains that though a rate had been properly made on the 3rd of April last for reimbursing the said Elizabeth, the present constables, &c., had refused to collect it ... ... *ibid.*

Order for respiting the recognizances to prosecute of all persons indicted for recusancy until the next General Quarter Sessions. The names are as follows:—William Baily, of St. Giles-in-the-Fields, barber; Thomas Goodwin, of the same, joiner; Alexander Oxton, of the same, Schoolmaster; William Whitfield, of the same, victualler; Thomas Prince, of the same, goldsmith; Ferdinando Albertus, of the same, victualler; John Burgis, of the same, clerk; Phillip Cook, of the same, victualler; Nicholas Body, of Gray's Inn Lane, cook; St. Roland Belles, knight; John Thimbleby, esquire; Edward Hobart, gentleman; George, Lord Abergavenny; Thomas Cook; George Howse; Henry Trapps; Thomas Culverly; Thomas Campion; William Gerrard; Mary Tichburne; Henrietta Roper; Faith, Lady Henneadge; Mary Maddison; George Messenger; James Bamber; John Rigmaden; Francis Duddle; Stephen Galloway; George Potter; William Peircy; Joseph Higgs; Thomas Higgens; Henry Yorke; Thomas Bromwharrwood; Elizabeth Bromwharrwood; Bazill Fitzherbert; George Hall; Thomas Coby; Benjamin

Callow; Lewis Furshoone; Henry Oldham; John Phillips; Edward Goldsmith; John Rogers; Hugh, Lord Clifford; Richard Butler; John Vanloon; Francis Codrington—"the said persons have behaved themselves quietly to their Majesties and their Government" ... ... p. 95

Order for respiting recognizances of the following persons till further order:—Thomas Pate; Joseph Acomb; Edward Shortell; William Browne; John Magnan; Alice Mobbey; William Spilman; Nicholas Glave; Susanna Harrison; Robert Presson; William Levins; John Kilby; Mary Rogers; Rachael Horton ... ... p. 96

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Order for William Turner, of Ickenham Parish, yeoman, to be headborough of the said parish for this year ... ... p. 67

Upon the petition of Elizabeth Plowden against Thomas Preist, victualler, for wages due to her for nursing his daughter, Elizabeth, and also upon the petition of the said Thomas, praying a discharge from the maintenance of the said child, it is referred to certain Justices (named) to hear and determine the said matters in difference ... ... *ibid.*

Upon the petition of the churchwarden (*sic*) and inhabitants of St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, showing that Joseph Buffington, Francis Double-

day, William Wood, and Robert Sherrington, surveyors of the highways of the said parish for the past year, have not yet accounted for the money received and disbursed by them, it is ordered that the said surveyors do yield up to the inhabitants a perfect account of the same, and that they return any overplus to the present surveyors ... ... p. 68

Whereas by an order of the 11th of August last, a certain street in the parish of St. Mary Matfellon, otherwise Whitechapel, "from the end of the pavement near the church there, to the house called the Artichoake, near a certain place called the Mount, in the said parish," was ordered to be paved on both sides of the way before the 29th of September following; now, upon the petition of the churchwardens and inhabitants, showing that if the said way should now be paved, the same would not endure, but would sink, owing to the winter being near, and that sufficiency of stones cannot now be had, and praying that the paving might be postponed until the spring, it is ordered accordingly. [*Vide Sessions Book* 487, p. 88]... ... ... p. 69

Upon the petition of William Freshwater and Ralph Brockett, inhabitants of the parish of St. James's, Clerkenwell, showing that "a certain book was made and rated on the inhabitants, amounting to about £27, and that the petitioners are nominated collectors, that they have a book sent them entitled, a rate for two several robberies, and not setting forth any particulars, and praying relief and direction in these particulars; it is ordered that the inhabitants do amend the title of their assessment and expressly mention the names of those upon whom the said robberies were committed, what sums such persons recovered against Ossulston Hundred, how much is assessed towards each robbery, what is expended for the passing of cripples and vagabonds through the parish, &c., and that the said William and Ralph collect and pay the money so assessed ... ... p. 70

Whereas by an order of the 11th of August last, it was directed that the scavengers and rakers of St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, should carry away all dust, &c., from the houses of the inhabitants of the liberty of Morefields until Easter next; but upon application, made by the chief inhabitants of the said liberty, to have the clause omitted from the order as they have always carried away their own dust, and no scavenger can come into the said liberty, it is ordered accordingly. [*Vide Sessions Book* 487, p. 90] ... ... p. 71

Upon the matter in difference between Thomas Hearne, of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, joiner, and William Odell, his apprentice, concerning the discharge of the said William; the Court seeing no cause for the discharge, orders the said William to serve the remainder of his apprenticehood with his master... ... ... p. 72

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Order for Giles Griffiths to stand upon the pillory near the Maypole in the Strand for one hour on Wednesday next, for speaking the following seditious words to one of the soldiers of "their now Majesties," viz., "you are all lobstring, faggotting doggs, rogues, rebells, and traytors to your lawful King, I wish the King's shipps were all on fire." He is committed to the prison of the Gatehouse until he shall undergo the said punishment, and then to be delivered after paying his fees ... ... *ibid.*

Order for the removal of Anne Stacey, a poor woman, "and very lately passed from the parish of St. Katherine Coleman" to St. Margaret's, Westminster, back to St. Katherine's. The Court finds that the said Anne Stacey had not resided in St. Margaret's Parish before the month of May, 1685, nor has she had any legal settlement since that time by her husband (Abraham). She had not given notice of coming to settle, according to the Statute, but both she and her husband had concealed themselves in several places. Before May, 1685, she was lawfully settled in the parish of St. Katherine Coleman... *ibid.*

The Court orders two of the Justices living near to St. Clement Danes, to examine into the cause and circumstances whereby a female bastard child of Margaret Jemmett's, spinster, of that parish, has become chargeable to the parish. Ezekiel Cousins, of Clifford's Inn, gentleman, is said by Margaret Jemmetts to be the father. The Justices are to take such order as they think fit and convenient ... ... p. 30

Order to the churchwardens, &c., of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields to pay £5 4*s.* 8*d.*, and 5/- more for the order, to Richard Price, constable of the Upper Ward, which sum was necessarily expended by him in passing and relieving vagrants, cripples, &c., during his term of office ... ... p. 31

Order for the churchwardens of the parish of St. James', Westminster, to pay to Thomas Phillips the sum of £6 9*s.* 2*d.* which had been expended by him during his term of office as constable in relieving, &c., vagrants, cripples, &c.; 5/- more is to be paid for the order ... ... *ibid.*

Order of the Court cancelling the indenture of apprenticeship of James Cooper to Matthew Cary. The mother of James Cooper, Hester Cooper, widow, states to the Court that her son James was apprenticed to Matthew Cary for five years on the 12th September, 1690, to learn the art of a barber, surgeon, and periwig maker, and to play on the violin and flute. She complains that Cary had left his trade and gone to sea for a time in another employment; that he had now been returned about three months, but "taketh no care to instruct and maintain" his apprentice, and absents himself from his house, and refuses to attend the Court ... ... *ibid.*

Order to Anthony Church, gentleman, keeper of the prison of the Gatehouse, Westminster, to discharge from custody Richard Galley, a prisoner for debt, 3 October, 1691. Creditors named—William Bushell; Michael Arnold, in Peter Street, Westminster, brewer; Lawrence Warwick, on the Mill Bank, woodmonger; Thomas Rawson, of Tuttle Street, mealman; Stephen Tay, of St. James's Market, gentleman; Samuel Chassey, of Charing Cross, victualler; John Galloway, of Jerman Street, mealman; John Bennett, of Bellyard, at Temple Bar, victualler; Lawrence Shelton, of Watford, in Hertfordshire, mealman; and James Gardner, of Covent Garden, gentleman ... p. 32

Additional order granted to the churchwardens of the parish of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields for the arrears of the highway rate for the year 1690. The churchwardens complained that very many persons had refused to pay their respective rates. The Court appointed Richard Woodcraft, William Tame, Matthew Francklyn, Henry Phipps, John Hight, John Morris, James Crooke, George Pickett, William Reynolds, and Thomas Kerwood, surveyors of the highways in St. Martin's Parish for 1690, with the present surveyors, to collect unpaid rate.

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A similar order for the same parish for the highway rate of 1691. The Court, amongst other things, orders that the collectors of the rate shall account for the whole sum which they have collected within four days after the election of the new surveyors; and that when the vestry has audited and examined the accounts they are to be submitted to the next ensuing Court of Quarter Sessions ... ... p. 36

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Upon a complaint that Richard Perry, of Stanwell, victualler, was suppressed from keeping an ale or victualling house, and from selling beer in

the said parish, and, notwithstanding, the said Perry continues to carry on his trade there, in contempt of the warrant, it is ordered that he be suppressed, and that he receive notice of this his suppression ... ... p. 44

Upon the certificate (dated the 3rd of October instant) of two Justices (named), inhabitants within the Tower Division, that they have inspected a certain street or lane called Church Lane, part thereof in Stepney Parish, and a part in that of St. Mary Matfellon, otherwise Whitechapel, and that they consider it fit to be paved "on both sides the way, from the grate at the lower end of the said lane and so up as far as the houses of Thomas Sturt and Olliver Ashwish, with the kennell in the middle, being about thirty rods in length," it is ordered accordingly; the work to be completed on or before the 10th of November next. [*Vide Sessions Book* 487, p. 87] ... ... p. 45

Order that William Clarke, of St. Margaret's, Westminster, be admitted a pensioner as a maimed soldier of this county, and that he receive £3 a year, to be paid quarterly by the treasurer acting for the hundreds of Elthorn, Spelthorn, and Isleworth... ... ... p. 46

Order for Christopher and Joseph, the two children of John Hoare, of St. Margaret's, Westminster, deceased, to be passed from the parish of St. Katherine's, near the Tower, to that of St. Margaret's aforesaid ... *ibid.*

Whereas it was ordered on the 11th of August last that a portion of Ayliffe Street, in Goodman's Fields, should be paved on both sides on or before the 29th of September; now, upon the application of Mathew Davis, of St. Olave's, Southwark, county Surrey, for an increase of time in which to pave in front of his houses in the said streets, it is ordered that two Justices (named) consider the petitioner's case, and grant him such an extension of time as they shall think meet. [*Vide Sessions Book* 487, p. 86] ... p. 47

Order that William Bird, gentleman, treasurer for the maimed soldiers within the hundreds of Ossulston, Edmonton, and Gore, do pay to George Russell, a pensioner, 20/- towards his present relief ... ... *ibid.*

Order for confirming an order made by two Justices (named), adjudging George Collison, of the precinct of St. Katherine's, near the Tower, victualler, to be the father of the male bastard child of Dorothy Dorton, of the said hamlet, widow ... ... p. 48

Order for John Philpott, keeper of the prison for the liberty and manor of Hackney, to attend the first day of the next Sessions, and to bring certain prisoners (named), with the causes of their imprisonment, that they may receive the benefit of the several Acts for discharging poor prisoners for debt ... ... *ibid.*

Upon the information of two Justices (named), inhabitants in or near St. Andrew's Parish, Holborn, that John Averyhall, junior, of Gray's Inn Lane, in the said parish, victualler, keeps a very disorderly house, it is ordered that the said John be allowed one month for the sale of his ale, &c., stocked by virtue of his license, and that from the end of the said month he be suppressed from keeping a common ale or victualling house in the said parish ... p. 49

Upon the petition of Bartholomew Hart, late churchwarden of East Smithfield, in the parish of St. Buttolph Without, Aldgate, and upon the report

of two Justices (named), showing there is due to the said Hart £40 for money disbursed by him during his term of office, a confirmation of the report is ordered; and it is further ordered that the present churchwarden (*sic*) do pay to the said Hart £20 on or before the 1st of November next, and the residue upon the 25th of March following ... ... p. 50

Order for vacating an excessive rate made for the relief of the poor of Hornsey, and for making a new rate ... ... *ibid.*

Order on the petition of Susan Matson (*sic*), widow of Anthony Mason (*sic*) late beadle of the Duchy Liberty in the Strand, and the report made thereupon by three Justices (named). Shows that Anthony served as beadle for a year and nine months, for which service he was paid by Mr. John Coggs, a burgess of the said liberty, £35, and by Mr. Charles Hellow £5, and that there is due to the said Susan £12 10*s.* 0*d.*, and showing the amount due to the said Coggs, paid by him for watching and warding within the said liberty for 1687–89, to be £64 15*s.* 8*d.* and £36 14*s.* 6*d.* It is ordered that a collection be made upon the inhabitants for the payment of the said sums ... ... p. 51

Upon information that Sir Richard Bulkeley, baronet, has set up an office in Lincoln's Inn to superintend the actions of the Justices in this county, and has had several orders and warrants printed without lawful authority, and, aided by Ralph Hartley, J.P., has caused several unlawful convictions to be made, it is ordered that certain Justices (named) do examine into the truth of this information, and do certify their opinions on the subject, on Friday morning next; and it is further ordered that all constables do bring into Court on Thursday morning next all warrants for the levying any sums upon the inhabitants upon convictions for "tipling, exposing of fruit or goods upon the Lord's Day," &c. Instructions for the Justices concerning such offenders. [*Vide post*, p. 57] ... ... p. 53

Upon the report of two Justices (named), dated the 21st of September last [*vide Sessions Book* No. 488, p. 67], concerning the wages for the nursing and maintenance of Elizabeth, daughter of Thomas Preist, of St. Giles'-in-the-Fields, victualler, it is ordered that the said report be confirmed, and that the said Thomas do pay Elizabeth Plowen, in the said report named, £14 2*s.* 6*d.*, due for the nursing of his said daughter. Further order for the maintenance of the said child ... ... *ibid.*

Order concerning the settlement of Alice Beane and her child, Richard. Edward Beane, husband of the said Alice, a soldier, having been quartered in the Savoy garrison, in the parish of St. Mary, Savoy, and now (if alive) in Ireland, it is ordered that the Justices do examine where the said Edward was last legally settled, and in the meantime the churchwardens and overseers of St. Mary aforesaid are ordered to maintain the said Alice and her child ... ... p. 54

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Recital of previous orders on the inhabitants of Kensington for paving the common highway in the said parish, and order that, on account of the difficulty of procuring workmen, gravel, and stones to pave the said highway, and the near approach of winter, when the newly-made road would sink and "be broke up by carts and coaches," the paving be again postponed until the 24th of June next ... ... p. 58

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Order for enlarging the time, limited by an order made at the last Sessions, for a committee of the Justices to examine the convictions which have been made upon any of the inhabitants of the county "for tippling, exposing fruit or any other goods to sale on the Lord's Day, or any other offence for prophanation thereof." The Justices report that all the convictions could not be discovered, many of them remaining in the hands of the respective constables. The Court ordered that the time for examination be enlarged to Saturday next, and the committee is to report to the Court "before the end of this present Sessions" ... ... *ibid.*

"The said committee appointed to examine the matters mentioned in this order on Friday morning next, and particularly to hear the complaints of

such persons as are ordered to attend this Court concerning the said convictions against them, and direct that Mr. Hartley have notice thereof, and a copy of their names, and be desired to give notice to the informers against such offenders to attend this Court at the said time to justify the said convictions" ... ... p. 50

Opinion of the Court upon a warrant of conviction granted by Ralph Hartley, Justice, for exercising a trade and calling on the Lord's Day. Francis Askew, distiller, of the parish of St. James's, Westminster, complains that a silver spoon belonging to him was distrained under a warrant, granted by Ralph Hartley, for exercising his trade and calling on the Lord's Day, 27 September. He affirms that "he never sold strong waters or other liquors to any person whatsoever by retail, nor to any person on the Lord's Day, unless in cases of necessity." He calls special attention to the warrant in which he is described as "Francis Askew, strongwaterman, in St. Albans Street, in St James's Market, next door to the Red Lyon," and the fine of 5/- was imposed. He pleads that the warrant of distress was illegal and irregular, "for that he never had opportunity of answering any complaints touching the matter." The Court adjudged the warrant of distress to be illegal and oppressive, because the nature of the crime was not specified, and Askew was convicted without being heard ... ... *ibid.*

Order concerning the removal of Thomas Marshall and his wife from the parish of Little Stanmore. The churchwardens of that parish complain that Thomas Marshall, a hired servant, living for some time in Hendon Parish, and his wife, had come into the parish of Little Stanmore. Fearing that they were about to become chargeable to the parish, the churchwardens had warned them to remove out of the parish. This they refused to do. The Court referred the matter to four of the Justices to deal with as they should think most fitting... ... ... p. 52

Order to two of the Justices to view and report on a certain way leading from Hockley Hole to Leather Lane. John Edge, surveyor of the highways for the liberty of Saffron Hill, Hatton Garden, and Ely Rents, in the parish of St. Andrew, Holborn, stated that "the street . . . leading from the north side of Hatton Garden to the farrier's shop towards Hockley Hole, and from thence upwards towards Leather Lane end, and also the way from the said farrier's shop leading up the hill on the north side to Leather Lane . . . is very much in decay for want of repair." The Court instructed the Justices who were to view the street to report to the Court on Saturday, and state whether the street "ought to be paved with stone, or amended with gravell." *ibid.*

Order for the churchwardens of Stoke Newington to pay £1 18*s.* 4*d.* to Thomas Hunt, and for making an additional rate for the relief of the poor. John Hunt complains that by the order of the churchwardens, &c., of Stoke Newington, he had disbursed £1 18*s.* 4*d.* for "coals and candles for several Irish and Dutch soldiers, who were lately quartered and kept guard in the said parish," and that they refused to repay him. The churchwardens in their reply state that the rate for the relief of the poor was not sufficient to defray this £1 18*s.* 4*d.* The Court ordered the payment of John Hunt out of the poor rate, and authorised the churchwardens, &c., to levy a further rate ... ... p. 53

George Steevens, one of the overseers of the poor for St. Mary-le-Savoy, complains that "the poor of the parish being lately much increased" the

rate is very insufficient, and that he had spent above £20 more than he had received; yet the churchwardens to whom he had applied would give him no assistance. The churchwardens, Toby Sedgwick and Francis Taylor, alleged that Steevens had neglected to collect several sums of money which would be sufficient to reimburse him. The Court ordered three of the Justices living near the parish to look into the matter and make such order as may be necessary ... ... p. 54

Order discharging Francis Quarrill from his indenture of apprenticeship. Complaint had been made to Thomas Johnson, one of the Justices, by Francis Quarrill, apprenticed to William Gatley, colourman, of St. Buttolph's Without, Aldgate, that his master has misused him, given him immoderate correction, neglected to instruct him, and turned him out of his service. Thomas Johnson "did examine the said matter" between the master and his apprentice, but for want of "conformity in the said matters" referred the dispute to this Court. The Court ordered Francis Quarrill to be discharged from his indentures of apprenticehood ... ... p. 55

Order on the report of Andrew Lawrence and Thomas Smyth, two Justices instructed to view the way from Hockley Hole to Leather Lane. The Court directs that "the street leading from the north end of Hatton Garden to the farrier's shop towards Hockley in the Hole, and from thence upwards towards Leather Lane end, be well repaired and amended with gravel by the surveyor of the highways" of the parish at the cost of the inhabitants; and that the way from the farrier's shop leading up the hill on the north side to Leather Lane, containing 120 feet in length and 16 feet in breadth, be forthwith paved with stone by the inhabitants and owners of the houses next adjoining the street. [*Vide ante*, p. 52] ... p. 56

Order discharging Daniel Seale from his indenture of appenticehood. He complained that he had been apprenticed to William Wright, of St. Margaret's, Westminster, bricklayer, for seven years, and had served for three years, but had endured great hardship for want of sufficient food and necessaries, and hath been almost "starved for want of clothes," and that his master was altogether incapable of providing for him. William Wright did not appear ... ... p. 57

Certain of the Justices are nominated to draw up a petition to the Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of the Great Seal of England, humbly representing . . . the great oppression of Ralph Hartley, essquire, one of the Justices who had committed irregularities "in issuing forth many hundred illegal warrants" for levying money, and in default distraining the goods of their Majesties' subjects for supposed offences against the statutes, *i.e.*, "for suffering tippling in their houses," and for non-observance of the Lord's Day. "It being the unanimous request of the whole Court that the said Mr. Hartley," for the reasons given, "and for quieting the minds of the inhabitants of the county, should be put out of the Commission of the Peace; and that the Chairman and the whole Commission do attend their Lordships in a body with the said petition, together with the copy of the Report" p. 58

Order that John Lavy, one of the constables of the parish of St. Mary Matfellon, otherwise Whitechapel, deliver up to Benjamin Desimere, Henry Lee, John Leppar, and Francis Linsey, victuallers, of Whitechapel, several

pieces of plate, which had been distrained from them, for suffering "tipling in their several houses on the Lord's Day," it having been decided by the Court that the warrants which had been issued by Ralph Hartley were illegal and arbitrary ... ... p. 59

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John White, convicted for stealing lead from a "dwelling house," is fined 13/4, and to be stripped naked from the middle upwards, on Wednesday next, between 10 A.M. and 1 P.M., and then "openly whipped on his back at the hinder part of a cart from Drury Lane to the House of Correction at Tuttlefields within this Liberty, until his body be bloody"; he is committed to the Gatehouse prison until he undergoes the punishment, and pays his fine, then to be delivered paying his fee, 6/8 ... ... p. 19

Order that the churchwardens and overseers of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, do pay Johannah Ludland 20/- for her care in "time past" of Joane Edmonds, "a crackbrained poor woman," and an inhabitant in the said Johanna's house ... ... p. 19

Proceedings upon the petition of the churchwardens and surveyors of the highways of the parish of St. James's, Westminster. Shows that the highways belonging to the said parish are so decayed that they cannot be sufficiently repaired for less than the sum of £100, and prays an order for an assessment to meet the expenses of the same; it is ordered that the sum of £115 be assessed for the reparation of the said highways for this year. Instructions to the collectors of this rate.

Note in Margin. This order is set aside, superseded and stayed by an order of Sessions, 23 June, 1692... ... ... *ibid.*

Proceedings upon the certificate of two Justices (named), dated the 5th instant, and showing that there is a new way called Brydall Lane, in the parish of St. James's, Westminster, extending from Brewer Street south to the further corner of Mr. Burgess Hutchinson's stable wall, north, containing 11½ rods in length, and 18 feet in breadth, and which, upon inspection, they consider requires paving; it is ordered that all owners and inhabitants of the houses in the said lane be required to pave the parts before their respective properties, by or before the 25th of March next, on penalty of a fine of 40/- for every offence ... ... p. 21

Proceedings upon the certificate of certain Justices (named), dated the 5th instant. Shows that there is a new street or way, called Peter Street, in the parish of St. James's, Westminster, which said street extends from "Mr. Aires his garden pales east to Brydall Lane west," in length containing about 16½ rods, and in breadth about 24 feet; and that, upon inspection, they consider the same requires paving. It is ordered accordingly, and the said paving is to be completed by or before the 25th of March next, on penalty (as above) ... ... p. 22

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Order for Richard Wilson to serve the remainder of his apprenticehood with Zachariah Coates. It appears he was apprenticed for seven years to Coates, of the parish of Stebunheath, otherwise Stepney, "linespinner." The Court discharged the petition of Winifred Jones, mother to Richard Wilson, and ordered him to serve the residue of his term ... ... *ibid.*

Order for discharging John Roberts from his indentures of apprenticehood with Anthony English, gardener, of the parish of Stebunheath, otherwise Stepney. Roberts had complained that his master had misused him, and neglected to provide him with clothes and other necessaries, and Thomas Johnson, one of the Justices, had ordered English to provide wholesome and necessary diet and clothes for his apprentice. Roberts complains to the Court that no notice had been taken of this order, whereby he "was become lame in his limbs." English did not appear, and the Court, having taken the evidence of Joyce Roberts, discharged Roberts from his indentures ... p. 48

Gertrude Kirby, who had been apprenticed for five years to Angellat Patella, wife of John Patella, of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, to learn the art of washing point lace, complained that John Patella and his wife had cruelly beat and misused her, neglected to provide her with clothes, &c.; and that Angellat had not instructed her in the art of washing point lace. She prays that the £6 which had been given to apprentice her might be returned. The Court, having heard Angellat Patella, and also the evidence of Ann Hill, Ann Cuthbert, and others, ordered Gertrude Kirby to be discharged from her indenture of apprenticehood, and directed that £3 should be returned to her by John Patella within the space of one week, for placing out the said Gertrude Kirby to some other fit person to be instructed in the said art ... ... p. 49

The Court ordered the discharge of John Carvath from his indenture of apprenticehood. John Carvath had been bound apprentice to Thomas Glover, mariner, of Stepney, about a year and a quarter previously, for the term of three years only, and the indenture was not "inrolled," so that it was void in law ... ... p. 50

Order for discharging Mary Ellitt from her indenture of apprenticehood, with William Morris, barber, of St. James's, Clerkenwell. The apprentice complained that her master had beaten, abused, and turned her out of doors ... ... p. 51

Order for raising money for the repair of the highway in the parish of St. Giles'-in-the-Fields. The chief inhabitants state to the Court that an assessment has usually been made every year for the repair of the highway, but that many persons refuse to pay the money ... ... *ibid.*

Thomas Hariot, one of the Justices, complained that the highways of the parish of St. Mary, Islington, were much out of repair. The Court ordered the churchwardens, &c., to make and collect a rate for the amendment, repair, and support of the highways, such rate not to exceed 4*d.* in the £ on lands and houses, and 8*d.* in the £ for every £20 personal estate ... ... p. 53

A dispute between Samuel Mercer, headborough of Stanwell, and the constable of Bedfont, was referred to the Justices in or near the Brentford Division, as the constable of Bedfont was not, at the present Court, fully prepared to set out his complaint. The constable of Bedfont complained that Samuel Mercer refused to pass and convey several cripples and impotent persons through the parish of Stanwell. The Justices are to report their opinion at the next Court of Quarter Sessions ... ... p. 54

The constables and other ancient inhabitants of the liberty of Norton Folgate complain that the watch-house belonging to the liberty is very much out of repair and likely to fall down, and pray the Court to order an assessment of the liberty to defray the charge of repairing and amending it. The Court desire the Justices of the Tower Division to deal with the matter at their next Petty Sessions, and give to the petitioners such relief as shall seem meet upon hearing of all parties ... ... p. 54

Order for George Waters to be continued an inhabitant at South Mymms. George Waters, on the 9th of January, had been passed to the parish of Stepney from South Mymms ; but Thomas Austin, of South Mymms, informs the Court that Waters had been employed by him for several years in that parish as a day labourer, and that his last legal settlement was at South Mymms. The Court ordered that the warrant of the Justices who passed him on to Stepney be discharged ... ... p. 55

The Grand Jury presented to the Court "that most of the carters, carmen, and draymen that pass and repass with their several carts. carriages, and drays through the public streets, lanes and places . . . . make it their common and usual practice and custom to ride negligently on their several carts . . . without having any person to guide their horses, so that oftentimes their horses, carts, carriages, and drays run over young children and other their Majesties' subjects, passing in the streets about their lawful occasions, whereby many lose their lives." The Court ordered the high constables in the hundred of Ossulton to issue warrants to the petty constables requiring them to give notice to all carters, carmen, and draymen, that from henceforth "they carefully lead and guide their horses by the rains in their passage through the said streets . . . and forbear riding upon their respective carts . . . " Offenders are to be dealt with at Quarter Sessions ... p. 56

Order for suppressing the profanation of the Lord's Day. Reference is made to the Queen's letter of 9 July urging the Justices to put the laws into force against profanation of the Lord's Day, drunkenness, swearing, and cursing, and to the order made by the Court on the 10th of July, whereby it was hoped that "from thence our endeavours would have had a good effect, But since that, by the rash and unadvised actings of several persons, pretending great zeal, many illegal and irregular warrants of conviction have been issued out against a multitude of innocent persons for suffering tipling in their houses, and exercising their ordinary callings on the Lord's Day, without summoning or hearing their defences, whereby it might appear whether they were works of charity or necessity . . . and condemning the guiltless with the guilty . . . This Court hath from time to time received many repeated complaints from divers innholders, victuallers, and others, who have greatly suffered . . . This Court, for the remedy of the said mischief, and to the end that so religious an intention may not miscarry, doth resolve to encourage all manner of legal information . . . pursuant to their former order . . . Convictions ought not to be made . . . before a warrant or a summons from a Justice of the Peace . . . be first had and served on the person accused . . . And for a due encouragement of all such informers . . . this Court agrees to deliver all such summonses . . . gratis to any persons requiring the same . . . And for the better encouragement of the Churchwardens . . . &c., in searching for, and observing such prophanation of the Lord's Day, we, the . . . Justices of the Peace . . . further resolve that in our several and respective divisions, we will, from time to

time, on request, or as we see occasion, go along with them in person in our several parishes . . . and search the several alehouses and other places suspected . . ." Informers shall receive due encouragement . . . Keepers of alehouses, &c., convicted shall be not only fined 10/- but their licenses shall be suppressed for three years. The Clerk of the Peace is to cause this Order to be printed and sent to the petty constables, &c., of each parish. p. 57

Order concerning "Robbery Money." John Halton recovered from the inhabitants of Ossulton Hundred in Michaelmas term the sum of £870 damages for a robbery committed upon him. Complaints had been made from various parts of the hundred to several Justices that great and excessive sums had been assessed on the inhabitants, and much greater sums collected than would have satisfied the damages. The Court orders that the collectors of the assessment from every part of the hundred shall submit their assessment books, and give an account of the moneys collected and expended to the Justices in their respective divisions, and the said Justices are to report to the next Court of Quarter Sessions upon the matter ... ... p. 60

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Proceedings upon the petition of Lawrence Crosse and Thomas Blay. Show that they each hold about 30 acres of land in St. Pancras Parish, and that upon the 19th of October last the said Crosse paid William Child, overseer of the said parish, £1 1*s.* 4*d.* assessed upon him as the poor rate for the year commencing at Easter; and that in October the sum of 10/8 was demanded, upon the pretence that there was another half year's rate due for the relief of the poor, and that a warrant has been issued against the petitioners and others compelling them to pay the said rate. They pray that the churchwardens may be ordered to show reason for the same. Ordered that certain Justices (named) do enquire into this matter ... p. 33

Proceedings upon the complaint of the chapelwarden and other inhabitants of Wapping Hamlet, Whitechapel, . . . that Jane, the wife of Anthony Couch, in the absence of the said Anthony, who is a seafaring man, keeps a disorderly alehouse, and the complainants pray . . . an order may be issued for the suppression of the license granted to the said Anthony. Ordered that certain Justices (named) do enquire into the truth of this complaint, and that they make such order as they shall consider meet ... p. 34

Upon the complaint of Owen Mackarty, apprentice to Thomas Nash, of St. Clement Danes, cabinet-maker, of the cruel treatment received from the said Nash, who has, several times, beaten his apprentice "with a large cane and an iron rasp of near three pound weight," and praying he may be discharged from his apprenticehood. Ordered accordingly ... ... p. 35

Appointment of a committee, who are ordered to meet on Wednesday, the 9th of March next, at 9 A.M., and to examine the accounts of Simon Harcourt, Clerk of the Peace, and find what is due to the trustees of this county from Sir Thomas Rowe, knight, for rent of that part of the corporation workhouse which he holds, what has been expended for the repairs of Hickshall, and the pavement belonging thereto, and the New Prison, and the House of Correction. The said committee are to report their opinion as to how the sum of £115 5*s.* 4*d.*, due to Captain Jones, and the money for the said repairs, may be raised ... ... p. 37

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Proceedings upon the oath of John Smith, constable of Hyde Park Ward, in the parish of St. Martin's-in-the-Field, that, since the 12th of April last, he has expended £11 0*s.* 8*d.* for passing, relieving, and lodging vagrants and cripples. It is ordered that the churchwardens of St. Martin's aforesaid do pay the said Smith £5 10*s.* 4*d.*, and 2/6 more for the moiety of this "order," and that the churchwardens of St. James's, Westminster, do pay the like amounts to the said constable ... ... *ibid.*

Upon the petition of the churchwardens of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, showing that the inhabitants have contracted to pay Robert Meades £150 for the repair of the highways belonging to the said parish, for this year, and that there remains due to him on the same amount for last year £20, and praying an order for an assessment to be made to enable them to perform the contract, it is accordingly ordered that an assessment be made to meet the sum of £200... ... ... *ibid.*

Upon the petition of the burgesses and others, inhabitants of St. Margaret's, Westminster, exhibited at the last April Sessions, showing the great increase of poor, particularly of Dutch women and children, within the said parish, it was ordered that an equal rate be assessed for their relief, for the year 1691, and that it should be one-half more than that of the year previous. The petitioners pray that a like rate may be assessed for this year. Ordered that an assessment be made as certain Justices (named) shall consider necessary ... ... p. 17

Proceedings upon the petition of Anne Dyott. Shows she was bound an apprentice to Mary Kent and Barsheba Dynes, of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, sempstresses, for five years, dating from the 29th of September, 1688, and that they received £30 with her, and that her said mistresses have severely beaten and dragged her by the hair. She prays to be discharged, and to receive back £15. It appearing that the said Anne has received very good usage from her said mistresses, to whom she has proved unfaithful, and her said mistresses desiring she may be discharged without their returning any of the said money, it is ordered accordingly ... ... p. 18

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The like appointment of Christopher Clitheroe, esquire, for the hundreds of Elthorn, Spelthorn, and Isleworth, in the room of Thomas Arundell, gentleman, and similar order concerning the accounts.

Appointment of William Gunson, gentleman, as treasurer for the Marshalsea, King's Bench, and Hospitals, within the hundreds of Ossulston, Edmonton, and Gore for 1692, in the place of John Evans, gentleman.

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Upon the report of two Justices (named), it is ordered that the high constables of Ossulston, and Thomas Saunders, late high constable of Finsbury, do pay to Simon Harcourt, Clerk of the Peace, the money received by them for robberies committed within the said hundred, and that the petty constables be summoned to bring in their books for inspection ... p. 37

It is ordered that Robert Hardisty, an attorney at the Court of King's Bench, do appear for the inhabitants of Ossulston Hundred, at the suit of Ward Drakes, for a robbery committed upon him in the said hundred... p. 37

Order for Henry Johnson, his wife and four children, to be removed from the parish of St. Paul, Shadwell, to the hamlet of Wapping, Stepney, it having been proved that the said Henry was last legally settled in the said hamlet ... ... p. 38

Upon the petition of Thomas Gibbons, constable of Ickenham, showing that he has served the office for the past year, and that there was no court leet held for the said parish (*sic*) last Easter, and praying that he might be discharged from serving the said office, and that John Turner, of Ickenham, aforesaid, gentleman, might be elected in his place, it is ordered accordingly ... p. 39

Upon the petition of Andrew Ward, late constable of Finchley Parish, showing that he served the said office last year, and expended, in passing cripples and vagabonds through the said parish, together with other incident charges, £13 14*s.* 7*d.*, and praying that a rate may be assessed for the reimbursement of the same, it is ordered that two Justices (named) do examine the accounts of the said petitioner, and do levy a rate for the settlement of the same ... ... p. 40

Whereas by an order of the 26th of October last, it was referred to two Justices (named) to give Mathew Davis, of St. Olave's, Southwark, county Surrey, gentleman, such further time as they should consider meet for paving the street, before his houses, in a certain street called Ayloffe Street. in Goodman's Fields, in the parish of St. Mary, Whitechapel, whereupon the said Justices fixed the date until the 1st of May next. Now, upon the petition of the said Davis, showing his possession of the said houses to be but for a short term, and that Sir William Leman, baronet, is the ground landlord, and praying that the Court would proportion the charge of paving before the said houses, between the said Sir William and the petitioner, it is ordered to be referred to the aforesaid Justices to examine what interests the said Sir William and the petitioner severally have in the said premises, to ascertain what proportion they ought to bear towards the paving of the said street, and to give such order for the same as they shall consider meet... ... ... *ibid.*

Upon the petition of John Sheppard, constable of New Town, Mile End Hamlet, Stepney, showing that, during his term of office, he has expended £15 2*s.* 1*d.* in the passing of cripples and vagabonds through the said hamlet, and for other incident charges, and that he has not received more than £7 in payment thereof, and praying his successor might be allowed to collect the assessment for the petitioner's reimbursement, it is accordingly ordered that he be assisted in the collection of the same ... ... p. 41

Whereas by an order of the 15th of July, 1690, it was ordered that the inhabitants of Red Lion Square, in the parish of St. Andrew's, Holborn above bars, from the following Michaelmas, should have liberty to place and maintain a sufficient watch and ward, and convenient stands for the watchmen, at their charge, and that in consideration the said inhabitants should be exempted from payment towards the said constables' watch until further order. [*Vide Sessions Book*, No. 475, p. 50.] Now, upon the petition of the churchwardens

and other inhabitants of the said parish, showing that the said order was obtained by the instigation of some particular inhabitants in the said square, without the knowledge of the major part of the inhabitants, and that their watch was much weakened in consequence, and praying that the said order for a separate watch might be discharged, and upon hearing what could be alleged by those who "insisted to have the said order continued," it is ordered "that so much of the said recited order as directs a separate watch to be kept" is hereby vacated. Further order to the constables concerning the appointment of a sufficient watch ... ... p. 42

Order for Susanna Singleton, otherwise Potter, Mary Steward, and Rebecca Turner to be continued and settled in the parish of St. Ann's, Westminster, they having been passed from the parish of St. Giles-in-the-Fields to that of St. Ann's as their last legal settlement ... ... p. 43

Order of reference to certain Justices to appoint auditors to examine the accounts of the churchwardens of St. Leonard's Parish, Shoreditch, for the year 1691; the inhabitants of the said parish having complained of undue oppression from the said churchwardens by "an assessment of twelve quarters besides moneys received for fines" ... ... p. 44

Order for the churchwardens and overseers of St. James's, Clerkenwell, to pay Joanna Cooke 36/- for nursing a child, in case she be not paid the same in a month by some other person ... ... p. 45

Upon the report of two Justices (named), to whom it was referred by an order of the 22nd of February last [*vide Sessions Book*, No. 490, p. 45], to view . . . a certain lane, called Church Lane, part of which is in Wapping Hamlet, Stepney Parish, and part in that of St. Mary, Whitechapel, it is ordered that the said lane be repaired at "a parish charge," and that the surveyors of the highways of Wapping Hamlet, and those of St. Mary, Whitechapel, do repair the parts lying in their respective parishes ... p. 46

Order for Joseph Dixon, his wife and children, lately passed from the parish of St. Giles'-in-the-Fields, to that of St. James's, Westminster, to be settled in the latter parish, that being the place of their last legal settlement. [*Vide Sessions Book* 492, p. 18] ... ... *ibid.*

Whereas William Peake, a prisoner in the custody of John Philpott, gentleman, gaoler of Hackney Manor Prison, upon the 28th of November, 1690, petitioned to be discharged, but Charles Yates, one of the creditors of the said William, insisting that the said William be continued in prison upon such weekly maintenance as the Court should appoint, it is ordered that the said William be remanded, and that Yates do pay 1/6 per week for the said prisoner's maintenance ... ... p. 47

A similar order concerning the prisoner, Robert Mynns, in the custody of William Penn, gaoler of Finsbury Prison; Robert Bowles, one of the creditors of the said Mynns, being ordered to pay 1/6 weekly for the maintenance of the said prisoner ... ... p. 48

Upon the complaint of William, son of William Drakely, and apprentice to Francis Lowe, of St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, victualler, of ill-treatment received from his said master, and praying to be discharged from his apprenticehood, it is ordered accordingly ... ... p. 49

Order for John Sharpe, and his wife, lately passed from Idlestry Parish, within the liberty of St. Albans, Herts, to the parish of South Mymms, to remain in the latter place, where they were last legally settled ... ... p. 50

Order for Beziah Amsworth to be passed to Mile End Hamlet, in the parish of Stepney, it having been proved that his father, Henry Amsworth, was last legally settled there, and not in Bow Hamlet, as at first alleged ... ... p. 51

Order for respiting several recognizances entered into by four persons (named), and their sureties, until further order... ... ... p. 52

Whereas by an order of Saturday, the 9th of April last, Henry Staffe, of St. Andrew's, Holborn, surgeon, was ordered to attend and show cause why he should not serve the office of scavenger of the said parish, for the liberty above bars, for the ensuing year, and the said Henry not having attended, it is ordered that he shall continue in the said office of scavenger for the said parish for this year ... ... p. 53

Order for hearing an appeal concerning the settlement of Christian, wife of William Mackedavy, and her child, upon the first day of the next Sessions, a dispute having arisen between the churchwardens and overseers of the parish of St. Dunstan's-in-the-West, and those of St. Giles'-in-the-Fields, as to their last legal settlement ... ... p. 53

Upon the report of certain Justices (named), dated the 28th of April last, that they had inspected a certain street or lane, called Church Lane, in the parish of St. Mary, Whitechapel, in the hamlet of Wapping, Stepney, and that they were of opinion the said street or lane is a new one, and that a great part being already paved the remainder ought speedily to be paved to the middle of the said street from the houses of John Rooks and William Buxton, "at the grate," as far as those of Thomas Hart and Oliver Ashwith, being about thirty rods in length, at the expense of the owners and inhabitants, none of whom opposed the same, save Elizabeth Welsh, "who ought to pave as the rest have done," it is ordered that the said new street be paved by the 30th of July next, according to the judgment of the said Justices. [*Vide Sessions Book* 490, p. 45] ... ... p. 54

Warrant to the gaoler of the prison of the liberty of the Dean and Chapter of St. Paul's, to discharge Robert Mynns, a prisoner in his custody for debt, charged at the suit of Nicholas Phillips. Names and addresses of other creditors follow :—Messrs. Gimball and Meakins, in Long Lane ; Burt, in Blackman's Street, Southwark ; King, Crowne Alley, Moorfields ; Blackgrove, Goswell Street ; Rallins, Fetter Lane ; Hartopp, Thavies Inn, Holborn ; James, in Bridgwater Gardens ; Woolbridg, Gravell Lane, Wapping ; Jenings, in Wapping, near the Anchor Tavern ; Foulkes, Salisbury Court ; Shelcrosse, Holborn ; Knapp, at the Gun, at Billingsgate ; Cademan, in Knight Ryder Street ; Ambrose, in Whitecrosse Street ; Chamber, in the Hospital ; Baden, "Blewe Bladder" Street ; Bowes, Chiswell Street ; Parker, at the Roman's Gate, in Kent ; Clarke, at Oxford ; Clanfeild, at Yardington, in Oxfordshire ; Burrowes, at Thame, in Oxfordshire ; Leverat, at Thame ; Stookes, at Melton "Mobra," in Leicestershire ; Conners, at Thame ; Stubbs, Maudlin College, Oxford ; Folwell, at Wansor, in Surrey ; and Adams, at Northbrooke, in Oxfordshire ... ... p. 55

Memorandum headed Tuesday, 10 May, 1692; names of victuallers. p. 59

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The Earl of Bedford, on his appointment as Keeper of the Rolls of this county, informed the Court that he had appointed Mr. John Fox to be his Clerk of the Peace, to which office the said Mr. Fox prayed to be admitted. This request was opposed by the counsel for Simon Harcourt, whom they considered entitled to retain the said office of Clerk of the Peace, so long as he "well demeans himself"; the counsel for Mr. Fox disputing Mr. Harcourt's right, it was agreed to be put to the vote whether the office be vacant by the appointment of a new Keeper of the Rolls or not. . . . Determined in the negative by a majority of 15 ... ... p. 64

Miscellaneous memoranda as to the discharge of Edmund Farrington, elected constable for Islington. George Waters to be continued at South Mymms. Squire Gollop, of Islington, apothecary, committed to New Prison for "contempt to take on him the office of constable" for Islington. Fined 5/-, and committed until payment thereof.

Upon a report of two Justices, it is ordered that all high constables of Ossulston Hundred, and Mr. Saunders, late high constable of Finsbury Division, do pay in all money received by them on any assessment on the inhabitants of the said hundred for robberies committed there. It is further ordered that the said high constables do summon the petty constables to attend the Petty Sessions after next term.

Appointment of a committee to attend Lord Lucas, concerning the money assessed on the Tower Liberty, in this county, for robberies committed within the hundred of Ossulston, which are uncollected, owing to the inhabitants insisting on privilege and saying they are not obliged to pay.

Order for a Newgate prisoner to be brought up; swearing in of certain persons as constables, &c. ... ... p. 65

Names of several persons who took the oath at these Sessions ... p. 66

Notification of a meeting place for the religious worship of protestant dissenters, at the dwelling house of Isaack Honywood, esquire, situated in Hampstead, and registered according to an Act of Parliament ... *ibid.*

Indenture of apprenticeship of John, son of Robert Prince, of St. Paul's, Shadwell, ropemaker, to Thomas Hill, of the said parish, ropemaker, to serve for seven years from the 1st of January, 1691 ... ... p. 67

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SESSIONS BOOK 497—MAY, 1692.

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Order for discharging Henry Wilson, of the parish of St. Leonard, Shoreditch, from being scavenger of the liberty of Holliwell Street. Wilson

represents to the Court that for some months before his election at Easter last "he was and still is very much indisposed in his health, and that he hath for eleven days now last been constrained through weakness and sickness to keep his bed." Another scavenger is to be chosen in his place ... ... p. 29

Order suppressing the license of Stephen Chipps, blacksmith, of Hayes. Chipps had been refused a license by the Justices sitting at Uxbridge for divers reasons, but he had "surreptitiously," at London, obtained a license. The Court, in suppressing the license, directs the Justices of the division in which Hayes is situated to allow him "such reasonable time to draw off the drink he may pretend to have by him as the said Justices shall think fit," so that he does not henceforward brew or take in more drink to sell ... *ibid.*

Order to the ancient inhabitants of the liberties of Hogsden, Haggerstone and Church End in the parish of St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, to make a rate for the cleansing of the streets there, on the complaint of Ralph Nicholson and John Bond, the scavengers, that the said inhabitants had not made, and refused to make, a rate for that purpose ... ... p. 30

A complaint from the inhabitants of Church Lane in the hamlet of Wapping, that though they had, at Easter, 1690, elected scavengers for Church Lane, these scavengers had not at any time agreed with "any raker to cleanse the said Church Lane," although a great part of it was paved; nor had the scavengers during their term of office demanded any money "until after they were out of office, since which time they have distrained the petitioners' goods under pretence of reimbursing themselves" for their outlay in cleansing the lane. The Court referred the matter to Colonel Johnson and Mr. Bohun, with other Justices in the Tower Division, to deal with the matter in dispute, and report thereon at the next Quarter Sessions ... p. 31

Order of the Court for Nathaniel Hunton, of the parish of St. Leonard, Shoreditch, to serve the office of overseer of the poor for the present year, the reasons suggested and alleged by him for being excused from serving not being deemed sufficient ... ... p. 32

Complaint made by Thomas Savory, of Whitechapel, that he was employed by John Brittain, John Tissick and Edward Bentley, the scavengers of the hamlet of Wapping, Stepney, to be raker, to cleanse and carry away the dirt out of the streets of the hamlet, and that these scavengers refused to pay the £40 due to him for this work. The Court ordered Colonel Johnson and Mr. Bohun, and the other Justices in that neighbourhood, to enquire into and settle the dispute, or to report the matter to the next Court of Quarter Sessions ... ... *ibid.*

Complaint of Richard Silver and Richard Price, labourers, of the hamlet of Wapping, Stepney, that they were employed by John Brittain, John Tissick and Edward Bentley, scavengers of the said hamlet, to be rakers, to cleanse and carry away the dirt and soil out of the streets, who refuse to pay them the sum of £28 5*s.* 0*d.* due to them for this work. The Court ordered the Justices in the Tower Division to examine the said matter, to "compose" the same if they think meet, or to report thereon to the next Court of Quarter Sessions ... ... p. 33

Stephen Wiggins, apprenticed to William Bloxham, haberdasher, of the parish of St. Clement Danes, petitioned to be discharged from his indenture

of apprenticehood ; but the Court, finding the suggestions therein contained not sufficiently proved, discharged the petition, and ordered Wiggins to serve the remainder of his apprenticehood with William Bloxham ... ... p. 33

Order that Robert Child, yeoman, of the parish of Hornsey, execute the office of surveyor of the highways, to which he has been duly elected for the present year ... ... p. 34

Order made for enlarging the time for paving the "great street in Whitechapel." At the Sessions in August last the Court had ordered that a certain street or way in the parish of St. Mary, Whitechapel, from the end of the pavement near the church, to the house called the Artichoake, near a certain place called the Mount, should be paved on both sides of the way before the next 29th of September. On the 7th of September the time was extended by the Court to 1 May of the present year. The churchwardens, &c., now represent "that they had consulted with several paviors, who had informed the petitioners that there is not so many stones to be bought in or about the city of London and suburbs as will pave the said street; and that those that are to be had are above double the price, and that several of the houses fronting the street are very small and not above £3 per annum; and that some of them belonging to fatherless children and widdows, and that seven years' rent of the said houses will not pay the charge of the pavement and keep it in repair." The time was extended to 20 August "and no longer." [*Vide Sessions Book* 488, p. 69] ... ... *ibid.*

Order made for suppressing the license of —— Jackett of Greenford to keep an alehouse. The Brentford Justices had for divers reasons refused Jackett a license, but since then he had obtained one "surreptitiously" from two of the Justices outside that division. Roger Jenings and Nicholas Grice, two of the Justices of the Brentford Division, are to allow him reasonable time to draw off the drink he may pretend to have by him p. 35

At the February Quarter Sessions a committee of the Justices was nominated to examine what was due to the trustees of the county from Sir Thomas Rowe, knight, for rent of that part of the corporation workhouse which he holds of the county and to report at the next Quarter Sessions. No report having been made by the committee, several names are added to it, with a further instruction to the committee to see "what bedding and other matters there is remaining in the said place which were bought at the charges of this Court," and to see what orders have been made by this Court to the said Sir Thomas Rowe in converting the part of the corporation workhouse "for a nursery of infants, and which of them are fit to be revived," and to report in writing at the next Court of Quarter Sessions ... p. 36

Order appointing a committee of the Justices to meet at Hicks Hall in St. John Street, to "view the said Hall, and to see the defects and want of repair thereof;" to examine "who ought to be at the charge of repairing the same, and to see where a press may be set up . . . for keeping the records of this Court;" and to examine what right the inhabitants of the parish of St. Sepulchre's . . . "have to the great chest standing in the dineing roome of the said Hall;" and if they find the said chest belongs to the said inhabitants, then to enquire the reasons of their placing the said chest there. The committee is to report in writing to the next Court of Quarter Sessions .. .. p. 37

Order that Simon Harcourt, late Clerk of the Peace of this county, deliver up forthwith to the present Clerk of the Peace "all the writings that are in his hands, which were procured before divers of their Majesties' Justices . . . nominated by this Court to enquire what rent was due to the trustees of the county from Sir Thomas Rowe for part of the corporation workhouse at Clerkenwell, together with the report made by the said Justices" ... ... p. 37

Order that Simon Harcourt, late Clerk of the Peace, do deliver up to the present Clerk of the Peace all the licenses of victuallers in this county which were taken in the several divisions of the county at the last Court of Quarter Sessions ... ... p. 38

Order for respiting the recognizances of Thomas Stowman, Sarah Emanuel, Henry Baxter, Jonas Gilbert, Peter Clarke, Henry Newberry, James Rooks, Edward Quarterman, Roger Downes, John Wiggens, George Appleby, Moses Sedgwick, Katherine Lambert, James Samuell, William Baxter, and Elizabeth Zelby [Selby?] alias Phipps, till further order of the Court ... ... *ibid.*

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"All the Hackney coachmen that have been taken up since the committee waited on my Lord Mayor to make their affidavit of their abuses before the Justices of the Peace at Petty Sessions, and that Sir Charles Lee, Mr. Bestt (?), Mr. Bucknall, Mr. Owen, Sir E. Munday, Mr. Underhill, or any of the appointed committee to attend the Lord Mayor and Court of Aldermen" ... ... p. 50

Names of those in the New Prison and in the House of Correction p. 55

Indenture of apprenticehood of William Lindsey, of the parish of St. Mary, Whitechapel, son of William Lindsey, deceased, to Reynolds Forniser, weaver, 18 April, 1692 ... ... *ibid.*

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William Jencks, Henry Chanell, Thomas Hilliard, John Roberts, Richard Cornforth, Richard Foresight, and Andrew Kemp, for refusing to take the Oath of Allegiance to the King and Queen, or to pay each a fine of 40/-, were committed to the Gatehouse Prison for three months ... p. 32

The inhabitants of Park Prospect, Dartmouth Street, and the adjacent streets in the parish of St. Margaret's, Westminster, represent "that there is very great want of watchmen and stands to be set and placed at or about Park Prospect . . . for the apprehension of felons and night-walkers, and security of the inhabitants," who, dwelling somewhat remote and out of call

from the Grand Watch, are much exposed to burglars and other dangerous persons. The Court ordered the constables of St. Margaret's to carefully and constantly hereafter, from time to time, set at Park Prospect two able watchmen, to stand and watch there duly every night, from 9 of the clock in the evening until 6 of the clock in the morning ... ... p. 32

Order of the Court for making an assessment to raise £56 for the repair of the highways in the parish of St. Anne's, Westminster ... *ibid.*

Dispute between the churchwardens, &c., of St. Margaret's and St. Martin's-in-the-Fields as to the legal settlement of Mary Wilson and her child. The Court found that she was legally settled in St. Martin's Parish, and ordered her removal there forthwith ... ... p. 33

Dispute between the churchwardens, &c., of St. Margaret's and St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, as to the legal settlement of Elizabeth Clare, aged five years, and Mary Clare, aged three years. The Court ordered that the St. Martin's churchwardens, &c., should provide for Mary Clare, and the St. Margaret's churchwardens, &c., provide for Elizabeth Clare ... p. 34

Order to the churchwardens of St. James's, Westminster, to raise by rate £115 for the repair of the highways ... ... *ibid.*

The churchwardens of St. James's, John Outing and Robert Johnson, represent to the Court that the highways and pavements in the common street "leading from Pickadilly to High (*sic*) Parke Corner, over against the church and churchyard of the said parish, containing from east to west, on and adjoining the north side of the said churchyard, in length forty-seven feet, and in breadth thirty-two feet; and in Jermine Street, from west to the east corner of the churchyard wall, one hundred and fifty-nine feet, and in breadth so far twenty feet; and further eastwards along the south front of the church to the channel running at the east end of the said church, one hundred feet, and in breadth, from the wall of the church to the denter or middle of the street there, one and thirty feet; and again, from without the pale at the east end and south-east corner of the said church, up northwards to the Rector's house, ninety-nine feet in length and six feet in breadth, are out of repair; and that there is some doubt who ought to pave and amend the same." The Court ordered the inhabitants to repair these pavements out of the £115 authorised in the preceding order, and "from time to time, and at all times hereafter, when and as often as need shall require" ... ... p. 36

Order to suppress the license of Samuel Wood, of the Horseferry, in the parish of St. Margaret's, because "he doth keep a disorderly victualling house there" ... ... *ibid.*

"The names of the reputed papists last inhabiting in this parish of St. Martin-in-the-Fields, who at this Quarter Sessions, the 27th day of June, 1692, refused to take the Oaths of Fidelity as are now appointed to be taken, and the several sums they paid down for such their refusal, to the use of the poor of the said parish":—

Henry Bryarly, of St. Martin's Lane, dyer.
Francis Pilate, of Church Lane, silversmith.
John Jesson, of Hay Hill, gardener.

Francis Carthbry, of Bennett Street.
Michael le Duke, of Long Acre, dancing-master.
William Raymond, of Oxenden Street.
John Blanvillon, of Long Acre, vintner.
Vincent Bush, of Duke Street, York Buildings, confect[ioner].
James Bonner, of Phenix Alley.
George Fitzgerald, of Panton Street, periwig-maker.
William Austin, of Panton Street.
Thomas Caser, of Long Acre, frame-maker.
Richard Yates, of Long Acre, joiner.
Robert Bennett, of the Strand, vintner.
John Daniel, of Long Acre, "japanner."
William Quin, baker.
Patrick Conyers, of Brewers' Yard, Strand.
Jervice Rous, St. Martin's Lane.
Charles Country, Castle Street, Leicester Fields, turner.
John Gwyzine, St. Martin's Lane, the elder.
Francis Hater, of Duke Street, periwig-maker.
James Murley, of Bedfordbury, tailor.
Peter Hazard, of Long Acre, cabinet-maker.
William Groves, of Drury Lane, distiller.
John Grigson, of Drury Lane.
Walter Shea, of Marygold Alley, tailor.
Merenius Emery, of Denmark Court, Strand.
Giles Pyron, of Long Acre, embroiderer.
Richard Glaspoole, of Arlington Street, carpenter.
Lawrence Courtney, of Charing Cross, vintner.
James Owyn (?), of Charing Cross.
John Watkins, of Haymarket, surgeon.
Bryan Batson, of Strand, haberdasher.
James Langhorne, apprentice.
Henry Roberts, singing-master.
Francis Underwood, Charing Cross.
Robert St. George, Spring Gardens.
Robert Gilstrop, Charing Cross, gentleman.
Henry Lyon, of Burleigh Street, St. Martin's Fields.
Anthony Dufroney, of Bennetts Court, fringemaker.
Edmund Gwyn, of Strand.
Francis Johnson, of Long Acre, cabinet-maker.
Edward Simpson, of the Strand.
Andrew Quino, of Russell Street, apothecary.
John Calloway, of Drury Lane, chairman.
John Gresham, of Miggs Court, painter.
(Sum total, £25 12*s.* 6*d.*)

Reputed papists of the parish of St. James's, Westminster (same form as above):—

Darby Levin, of St. James's, victualler.
John Haddock, of Sherwood Street, victualler.
Thomas Clifton, of Queen's Street, gentleman.
James Ragould, of Charles Street, gentleman.
John Begg, of St. James's Street, victualler.
William Ayrey, of Rider Street, glazier.
Nicholas Mullinux, of Barry Street, tailor.

James Morray, of Pall Mall, gentleman.
John Cukus (?), of Pall Mall, goldsmith.
Andrew Prescott, of Portugal Street, baker.
John Carter, of King Street, shoemaker.
Francis Comings, of James Street, shoemaker.
Andrew Roch, of Berry Street.
Knevet Hastings, esquire, second refusal, fined £5.
(Total sum, £19 0*s.* 0*d.*)

Reputed papists in the parish of St. Clement Danes (same form as above) :—

Peter Painter, of Maypole Alley, joiner.
Valentine Fowles, of "Witch" Street.
Patrick Braynon, of Blackmore Street, victualler.
John Smallwood, of the same.
John Smith, of Duke Street, chandler.
Clement Wytheborn, victualler.
William Dunton.
Peter Michells, of Horton Street.
(Sum total, £5 10*s.* 0*d.*)

Reputed papists of the parish of St. Anne's, Westminster :—

John Miles, of Cranborne Street, cordwainer.
Raymond Surrovile, of Newport Street, vintner.
Francis Walgrave, of Compton Street, doctor in physic.
John Williams, of the same, tobacconist.
Joseph Berry, of King Street, casemaker.
Martin Carbinel, otherwise Beauleau, of Porter Street, gentleman.
Mr. Thomas Champion, leather seller.
(Total sum, £5 15*s.* 0*d.*)

Reputed papists in the parish of St. Paul, Covent Garden (form as above) :—

Joseph Palmer, of Russell Street, dyer.
John Weldon, servant of Dr. Conquest.
Timothy Bourne, of Hart Street, barber.
Patrick Mooney, of Hart Street, baker.
Joseph Knights, of Russell Street, goldsmith.
Andrew Renoc, of Bedford Street, tailor.
Edward Penruddock, of James Street, esquire.
Charles Conquest, of Bow Street, doctor in physic.
(Sum total, £8 17*s.* 6*d.*)

Reputed papists in the parish of St. Mary-le-Savoy (same form as above) :—

Richard Harris, of "Witch Street," upholsterer.
John Burchell, of Swan Yard, victualler.
William Curles, of Swan Yard, engraver.
(Sum total, £4 5*s.* 0*d.*) pp. 39–43

Receipt for 5/- paid into Court by Robert Rusholme, of the Physic Garden, in the parish of St. Margaret's, for refusing to take the Oath of Fidelity, &c. ... ... p. 43

Similar receipt of fine from John Driver, gilder, of Jerman Street, in the parish of St. James's, for the like offence ... ... p. 43

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Two of the Justices, William Withers and William Underhill, appointed to examine into the case of Isabella Hubbert, recently delivered of a female bastard in the parish of St. Leonard, Shoreditch, and to take such action as shall seem fit. In one affidavit she had named John Jenkins as the reputed father, and in another Leonard Pierson ... ... p. 49

At the June Quarter Sessions a complaint had been made by several of the inhabitants of the parish of St. Mary, Islington, suggesting that William Duncomb, surveyor of the highways for the year 1691 "had clandestinely and by some foul practice got his accounts audited"; that several of those appointed to audit them had had no notice of the audit, and the Court had then ordered that "it should be referred to the auditors of the parish and Mr. Strowde, an able inhabitant there, to re-examine the said accounts. William Duncomb now states that all the auditors appointed to take his accounts, eleven in number, had had due notice of the audit; that they were audited by eight of them, and had been inspected and allowed by two of the Justices; and that the order had been obtained at the last Sessions by surprise, and without his knowledge. The Court ordered that the order made at the last Sessions for re-auditing the accounts be discharged, and that the inhabitants forthwith pay to Duncomb £42 1*s.* 7*d.* due to him ... *ibid.*

On the complaint of Thomas Larke and Gerrard Selby, scavengers for the lower hamlet of Wapping, Whitechapel, for the year last past, that the inhabitants refuse to pay to them the sum of £14 12*s.* due for the work of cleansing the street, &c., the Court referred the matter to three of the Justices—Mr. Thomas Johnson, Mr. Bohun, and Mr. Ford—for enquiry and settlement ... ... p. 50

The churchwardens, &c., of St. Giles Without, Cripplegate apply for powers to make a rate for the relief of the casual poor "who daily increase," as they have expended about £30, and have no income sufficient to meet it. The Court refers the matter to Colonel Pery, Mr. Withers, and Mr. Underhill, three of the Justices, to be dealt with for the relief of the churchwardens ... ... p. 51

It is ordered that Mr. Wainwright do forthwith set workmen to work in and about the repairing of Hicks Hall. A committee is nominated consisting

of Sir Charles Lee, Thomas Rowe, Mr. Buck, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Heriot, Mr. ———, Mr. Smith, Mr. Underhill, and Mr. Withers, Justices, to see that the Hall be well and substantially repaired; they are to decide what rent Mr. Wainwright ought to pay for . . . since his coming to be "cryer." *Document decayed.* [*Vide Sessions Book* 497, p. 37] ... ... p. 51

Order for discharging Francis Fisher from his indenture of apprenticehood to William Brittaine, of Limehouse, in the parish of Stepney. Fisher had complained that his master had "inhumanly beat and abused" him, and the Justice to whom the complaint was originally made being unable to "compound and agree" the difference, the Court, on investigation, found that the indenture had been antedated two years, so that Francis had but five years to serve, "which is contrary to the Act, and that upon the oath of William Fisher and other witnesses they found that he had cruelly beat, &c., his apprentice" ... ... p. 52

Order to the churchwardens, &c., of the hamlet of Ratcliffe, in the parish of Stepney, to pay to Bridgett Harman, "a poor person" of that hamlet, the sum of 2/- weekly ... ... *ibid.*

John Walters, apprentice to Thomas Batt, tailor, of the parish of St. Clement Danes, was charged by his master "with embezilling and purloining his goods, and deserting his service, and was committed to the House of Correction at Tuttle Fields, Westminster, but was immediately illegally discharged from custody. The apprentice acknowledges to the Court his offence and prays that his master may be ordered to receive him into his service. Batt attended and informed the Court that Walters was apprenticed to him for five years, but that the indenture was not enrolled; that "Walters is a very disorderly and pilfering person, and had attempted to debauch his daughter," and hath deserted his service for a fortnight, for which causes Batt alleges he "could not safely entertain" him in his service any longer. The Court ordered Walters to be discharged from his apprenticehood and committed him to the House of Correction, and to be "kept to labour" until further order from the Court ... ... p. 53

On the complaint of Thomas Adlam, George Powell and Richard Smyth, late overseers of the parish of St. Giles' Without, Cripplegate, that they had spent about £23 12*s.* more on the relief of the poor than they had received, three of the Justices—Colonel Peiry, Mr. Withers, and Mr. Underhill—were directed to examine the accounts, and make such order for reimbursing them as they should see fit ... ... p. 54

Upon complaint on oath of divers of the chief inhabitants of the parish of Stoke Newington, that Francis Harding of that parish, victualler, "keepeth a very disorderly house, as well on the Lord's Days as on the week days, and entertaineth beggars, vagrants, and thieves, who rob" the inhabitants of their goods, to the great damage and terror of the said inhabitants, the Court ordered that the license of Thomas Harding be suppressed from the 6th of October following ... ... *ibid.*

On the complaint of Edward Bentley, John Brittin, and John Tyzach, scavengers of the hamlet of Wapping, Stepney, that for the last year past they have disbursed to the rakers £21 more than they have received, the Court ordered that this £21 should be paid to them as follows: £10 at Michaelmas, £5 at Christmas, and £6 at Lady Day ... ... p. 55

Henry Dix, carman, of the liberty of Norton Folgate, shows that he is nominated and appointed constable of the liberty, and asks the Court to discharge him from serving, on the plea that "he is sixty-four years of age, and that he is very infirm, and altogether illiterate." The Court accordingly discharges him, and orders the inhabitants to elect another constable p. 55

At the June Quarter Sessions the license of Daniel Ellis, victualler, of Milford Lane, in the Duchy Liberty in the Strand, had been suppressed, but on the application of the said Ellis at the adjourned Quarter Sessions in July, on the evidence of several officers and inhabitants that he kept good rule and order in his house, Ellis was allowed, till the present Quarter Sessions, "to draw and sell such beer and ale as he should have in store," provided he did not suffer any evil rule or order to be kept in his house. At this present Court Ellis prays for the restoration of his license, and Hugh Chamberlaine and Leonard Hancock, two of the Justices residing in the liberty, are appointed to deal with the matter, and to make order for the issue of a license or continue the suppression, as they shall see fit ... ... p. 56

The petition of the surveyors of the highways of the parish of St. Pancras (names not recorded) for an order to the inhabitants to raise the sum of £70 and upwards, due to them for the repair of the highways, was referred to one of the Justices, Sir James Smyth, to make the requisite order, or to report to the next Court of Quarter Sessions ... ... p. 57

Order to the churchwardens, &c., for the north end of Finchley to make a rate to repay Henry Whitchcott, constable for the previous year, the sum of £8 18*s.* 3*d.*, which he had expended in relieving and conveying cripples, &c., through the Parish ... ... *ibid.*

Complaint of Joseph Allen, of the hamlet of Ratcliffe, in the parish of Stepney, showing that he was raker to the hamlet in 1690, "before there was any Act of Parliament to compell the inhabitants" to pay for the work done; that the hamlet owed him £20; and asking that the examination of the matter might be referred to the Justices of the Tower Division for examination. The Court granted an order accordingly, instructing Colonel Johnson and Mr. J. Bohun to deal with the matter ... ... p. 58

It is ordered by this Court that Richard Tuskin, constable of the parish of St. Pancras, do forthwith seize and take into his custody three cows now in the possession of Robert Harris, or some other person for his use, by the said Robert Harris lately feloniously taken from Joane Collins, widow. The constable is to permit Joane Collins to take the milk of the three cows until the next goal delivery, if she pay for the pasturage of the said cows ... *ibid.*

Order for the appearance of Christopher Clitheroe, treasurer for maimed soldiers ... ... *ibid.*

Katherine Cole, widow, represented to the Court that about a year ago she apprenticed her daughter Katherine to Bridgett Lazenby, milliner, of the parish of St. Paul's, Covent Garden, for seven years, and paid £20; on Tuesday last Bridgett Lazenby absconded, "carrying away all her goods privately, and is gone into the Fryers for refuge," and hath left the petitioner's child unprovided for, and refuses to return any part of the £20, or to release Katherine Cole from her apprenticeship. The Court, since Bridgett

Lazenby did not appear, ordered the discharge of Katherine Cole the younger from her apprenticehood... ... ... p. 59

Order for respiting the recognizances of Dorothy Colby, Clement Beron, John Johnson, John Hutchinson, John Mannowry, Daniel Jones, Lawrence Crosse, Richard Wallis, George Power, Jane Propp, Ann Wallis, otherwise Halford, John Rowe, Leonard Scott and Mary, his wife, Katherine Swaine, William Ellis, Anne Blake, Jane Padge, Katherine Barber, Robert Broadwater, Francis Gunn and Frances, his wife, Peter Barnsly, John Blake, Richard Wray, John Seacraft, Thomas Walter, Richard Williams, James Murtree, Thomas Davis, Mary Harvey, William Perrey, Mary Ladyman, and Margaret Jackson, till further order of the Court... ... ... p. 60

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Petition of James Seamour, a constable of Rislipp, showing that William Fenn, the other constable, is lately dead, and that the petitioner is unable to perform the duty of constable to the whole parish, it being very large, and praying that James Atley, of Rislipp, aforesaid, yeoman, may be appointed to the office, in the room of the said William; it is ordered accordingly... *ibid.*

Order for the removal of Elizabeth, daughter of John Phillips, from the parish of Ippolittes to that of South Mymms ... ... p. 42

Order for the removal of Ann, daughter of John Phillips, from the parish of Aston, county Herts., to that of South Mymms ... ... p. 43

Order for the removal of Ann, William, and Robert, the children of John Blowe, from the parish of St. Bridgett's, otherwise Bride's, to that of St. Andrew's, Holborn ... ... *ibid.*

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Dispute between the inhabitants of the liberty of Whitecross Street, in the parish of St. Giles's Without, Cripplegate, and William Cranfeild, of the said liberty, silver spinner, concerning the election of the said William as constable for the year ensuing. It is ordered that he . . . be discharged from serving in the said office, on account of his age and infirmities ... p. 45

Proceedings upon the dispute between the inhabitants of the liberty of Golding Lane in the parish of St. Giles' Without, Cripplegate, and John Goreing of the said liberty, glover, concerning the election of the said Goreing as constable for the ensuing year. Upon proof of the age and infirmity of the candidate elected it is ordered that he be discharged from serving the said office, and that the inhabitants appoint some other person ... p. 46

Proceedings upon the complaint of John Gillingham, apprenticed to George Felster, of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, joiner. Upon proof that Felster has not instructed the said apprentice, it is ordered that he be discharged; and it is further ordered that the said Felster do return to the said John's father, £3 10*s.* of the money paid with the said apprentice ... ... *ibid.*

Proceedings upon the dispute between Edith Sullivan, of Stebunheath, otherwise Stepney, widow of Laurence Sullivan, mariner, and Joseph White, apprentice to the said Laurence. White desires, his said master being deceased, that the said Edith shall pass him over to some fit person skilled in the said art for the remainder of the term of his apprenticehood, or that he may be discharged. Upon hearing the said Edith, who offers to provide a master forthwith for the said apprentice, it is ordered that the said White be passed over to some fit person at or before the next Sessions... ... p. 47

Dispute between the churchwardens and overseers of the parish of St. Sepulchre's, and those of St. Ann's, Westminster, concerning the last legal settlement of John Browne, Elizabeth, his wife, and Isaac, his child. Upon certain evidence given it is ordered that they be removed from the parish of St. Sepulchre's and conveyed to that of St. Ann's ... ... p. 48

Proceedings upon an appeal between the churchwardens of the hamlet of Mile End Old Town, Stepney Parish, and those of St. Paul's, Shadwell, concerning the last legal settlement of Ann Cullum. Upon proof that the said Ann has no legal settlement in the said hamlet, it is ordered that she be forthwith removed from Mile End Old Town to the parish of St. Paul's, Shadwell ... ... p. 49

Upon the information of Nicholas Grice, J.P., that the highways in the parish of Heston are in need of repair, and that the churchwardens and others, inhabitants of the said parish, have made an assessment for the year ensuing for the repairing of the same. The Court ratifies and confirms the said rate, and orders that the assessment be collected accordingly ... p. 49

Proceedings upon the petition of Henry Harwood, former constable of the liberty of Hollywell Street, in the parish of St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, and of Daniel Taylor, Robert Ashworth, William Steed, and William Newman, former headboroughs of the said liberty, showing that they served the said offices for 1692, and that an agreement was then made by the inhabitants of the Tower Hamlets for the suppression of all "suspicious" houses, and for the prosecution of all persons suspected of having any connection therewith, and that the agreement being approved by the Justices "in open Sessions," it was by them ordered to be carried out, and that the inhabitants of St. [Leonard's] Shoreditch, refused to join with those of the Tower Hamlets towards defrayment of the charge for the suppression and prosecution above stated, and that the petitioners disbursed £24 and more in prosecuting and convicting one Frances Hinton, otherwise West, and in defending an action brought by the said Frances, wherein the petitioners obtained a verdict against her, but cannot recover their costs, and praying to be relieved in the premises; it is ordered to be referred to certain Justices (named) to examine into the truth of the said complaint, and to give such order for the reimbursement of the said petitioners as they shall consider meet ... ... p. 50

Proceedings upon the petition of William Miller and Joseph Taylor, former scavengers of the liberty of Hollowell Street, in the parish of St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, showing that they have disbursed to the raker £7 6*s*. more than they have received, which the present scavengers and inhabitants refuse to pay, and praying to be reimbursed, it is ordered to be referred to certain Justices (named), who are to examine the petitioners' accounts, and to allow them what they consider right. Instructions concerning the raising of an assessment for the same ... ... p. 52

Order for the discharge of all issues returned by the Sheriff of this county, against the inhabitants of the parish of St. Mary's, Islington, for not repairing the highways, it being certified that the said ways are well repaired ... ... *ibid.*

Order for the confirmation of an order adjudging John Jenkins, of St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, cheesemonger, to be the father of the child of Isabella Hubbard, of the said parish ... ... p. 53

Upon the petition of James May, showing that he was apprenticed by the churchwardens of Limehouse Hamlet, in the parish of Stepney, to Jonas May, of the said hamlet, mariner, and that the said Jonas has absconded, and that his wife is in Newgate, whereby the petitioner is left destitute, and praying to be discharged, it is ordered accordingly ... ... p. 54

Whereas on the 20th of April, 1691, the inhabitants of Kensington Parish were ordered to pave with stone the common highway in the said parish "on both sides the way," on or before the 24th of June following [*vide Sessions Book*, No. 484, p. 81], which the said inhabitants, for good reasons shown, were unable to get done by the time limited, and therefore

they obtained several orders for an enlargement of the time until the 24th of June last [*vide Sessions Book*, No. 490, p. 58]. Upon the petition of the said inhabitants, showing that they could not procure sufficient stones and gravel, and that the summer proved so wet, and the highway so dirty, that it was impossible to perform the said order at a reasonable expense, and praying a further indulgence of time, it is ordered that further time be allowed, viz., until the 1st of May next, and that in the meantime a sufficient quantity of gravel be laid in the said highway to make the same passable... ... p. 55

Upon the certificate of certain Justices (named) that they have viewed a certain street leading from Clerkenwell Green to St. John Street, and that they adjudge the said street fit to be paved with stone on both sides the way from the house of Mr. Todd on the north side, and from the St. John of Jerusalem Tavern on the south side to St. John Street aforesaid, it is ordered that the same be carried out before the first day of the next Sessions ... ... *ibid.*

Proceedings upon the petition of Richard Browne, John Beacham, William Salmon, and others, inhabitants of the parish of St. Mary's, Islington, showing that by virtue of an estreat made on the 27th of June last against the inhabitants of the said parish for neglect in repairing the highways, there had been levied on the petitioners the sum of £400, and that they have not had any contribution from the other inhabitants, and praying that an assessment may be made [for the benefit of] the petitioners, it is ordered accordingly p. 56

An order to prevent carters, carmen, and draymen riding in their carts, cars, and drays through the public streets, lanes, and places on account of the common practice of driving furiously to the danger of young children and others, their Majesties' subjects ... ... p. 58

Upon information that Benjamin Beckett of Whitechapel, Henry Rogers of Chiswell Street, Henry Quintin and Humfry Morris of Cowcrosse, Andrew Vaughan of Saffron Hill, George Constable of Holborn Bars, Thomas Bryan of Boswell Court, John Thornton of Witch Street, John Browne of Soho, Greek Street, Charles Whitehead of St. Giles, and William Meachin of St. Andrew's, Holborn, the sheriff's bailiffs, do keep common "spunging houses" and detain their prisoners for several days contrary to the law; it is ordered that the said bailiffs shall have their licenses suppressed, and that from and after the 2nd of February next they shall not sell any beer or ale ... ... p. 59

Proceedings upon the petition of the surveyors of the highways of St. Giles's Parish and those of St. Pancras, showing that one side of the road leading from St. Giles's Pound to Hampstead is in the said parish of St. Pancras, and that 150 poles of the said way "or thereabouts" is in the said parish of St. Giles'-in-the Fields, and that, notwithstanding great sums have yearly been laid out by the authorities of both parishes, the road is not kept in such good repair as it should be, owing to the fact that the surveyors of the said parishes do not work at the same time in the repair of the said road, and that at a meeting of the inhabitants of the said parish, on the 27th of July, 1691, it was agreed that the highway "leading from the end of Great Russell Street over against the sign of the old Crab-tree on St. Giles's side, and from the said sign of the Crabtree (*sic*) in St. Pancras side as far as the said parish of St. Pancras doth extend towards St. Giles's Pound," should

be raised and sufficiently repaired at the equal charge of each parish, and that the common sewer in St. Pancras Parish should be cleansed and repaired likewise at the charge of both parishes, and that for the future (after 1691) the expenses for all repairs should be so equally divided, except they should be otherwise ordered by the Justices, and praying the Court will confirm the said agreement; it is [confirmed] accordingly ... ... p. 60

A receipt, signed by Isaac Lodgson, churchwarden, and Christopher Bateman, overseer, of the parish of St. Andrew's, Holborn, for the sum of £4; Henry Oldham and Thomas Potter having paid 40/- each for refusing to take the oaths tendered to them ... ... p. 61

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The like of Joseph, son of Joseph Standley, formerly of Cerricott (*sic*), county Herts, husbandman, to John Osland, of St. Paul's, Shadwell, joiner. To serve seven years. Dated 6 September, 1692 ... ... *ibid.*

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Order to the constables and headboroughs of Hillingdon, complaints having been made of robberies and burglaries, to "place and set a sufficient watch, to consist of one constable or headborough, and three able men at the house of Roger West, in Cowley Street, till the 1st of March next"; and that they do continue to keep their watch at the Red Lion in Hillingdon, to consist of the like or a greater number of persons as heretofore. The inhabitants of Cowley are to contribute to the watch kept in Cowley Street by sending one sufficient person one night in every week to be on the watch ... ... p. 37

Order for respiting the fines against the inhabitants of the parish of Isleworth for not repairing the highways ... ... p. 37

James Downes, John Cornell, Abraham Frim and Jonathan Markham, surveyors of the highways of St. Mary Matfellon (Whitechapel), state that, in accordance with an Order of the Court, they have repaired and amended Church Lane in that parish, and have disbursed £44 3*s.* 9*d.* of their own money, together with £9 since their accounts were made up at the vestry. The Court orders the churchwardens, &c., to make a rate to repay this sum, not to exceed 4*d.* in the pound for tenements, &c., and 8*d.* for every £20 of personal estate. Two of the Justices, George Bohun and Robert Constable, to allow the assessment ... ... p. 38

Complaint made of divers robberies and burglaries lately committed in or near the parish of Chelsey "for want of strict, able and sufficient watches and wards being kept there." The Court orders the constables and headboroughs of the parish, from the time of notice given to the 10th of March, to set such sufficient watches and wards at such places in the parish as shall be thought most convenient for the safety of the inhabitants and their Majesties' subjects passing through the parish about their lawful business ... ... p. 39

Information is given to the Court by the chief inhabitants of the hamlet of Wapping, Stepney, that Thomas Gatehouse, late churchwarden, had received several considerable sums of money "given by his present Majesty for the relief of the poor," amounting to £145 and upwards, and had distributed only a small part of it in relief, and had given a false and imperfect account of the distribution. The Court having heard both parties ordered Thomas Gatehouse to deliver to the inhabitants a true report of all such moneys by him received and expended, to whom paid, and where the said persons did then and do now inhabit. The present churchwardens, one of those who audited the accounts, and the beadle are to go from house to house in the said hamlet with Thomas Gatehouse to examine what moneys were paid by him to such poor persons now living in the hamlet. Report to be made to the next Court ... ... p. 40

Thomas Clarke, surveyor of the highways for the liberty of Saffron Hill and Hatton Garden, represents that the Court ordered in December, 1691 [*vide Sessions Book* 491, p. 52], that a way leading from the north end of Hatton Garden, down towards Hockley Hole, should be amended with gravel at the charge of the inhabitants of the liberty. He shows that he ought not to repair the said way with gravel at the charge of the liberty, and prays the appointment of two Justices to review the way and report whether it ought to be repaired by the liberty or by the occupiers of the adjacent houses. Ordered accordingly ... ... p. 41

Order made for Elizabeth Parry to serve the rest of her term of five years' apprenticeship with John Appleby and Mary, his wife, in learning the art of "washing point and gauze" ... ... p. 42

Order to Hugh Goddard, late constable of Spittlefields, to pay the sum of £13 11*s.* 2*d.* to the present churchwarden ... ... *ibid.*

Order to the constables of the liberty of the Strand to place a watch of four able warders in the high street between Temple Bar and Salisbury House every night until the watches are set at 10 o'clock ... ... p. 43

Order for the committal of Thomas Griffith, of St. Pancras, to the New Prison for non-payment of poor rate ... ... p. 43

Order to the churchwardens, &c., of St. Clement Danes to pay to Susanna Matson, widow, £8 a year in quarterly payments ... ... *ibid.*

Order to Mr. Reynolds, Deputy Clerk of the Peace, to pay Captain Thomas Jones, keeper of the New Prison, and governor of the House of Correction, £20 in part payment of money due to him for repairs to the prison and House of Correction... ... ... p. 44

Order suppressing for three years the license of Daniel Smith, victualler, of Hampton, for suffering disorders, &c. ... ... *ibid.*

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Order for Humphrey Turner to serve the rest of his eight years' apprenticeship with John Denton, mariner, of Stepney ... ... p. 45

Order for certain Justices—Lancelot Johnson, Sir Charles Lee, James Cardrow, Thomas Owen, Thomas Hariot, Ralph Bucknall, Theophilus Eyton, and John Herbert—to inspect and examine the workmen's bills for the repairs at Hick's Hall, and to report to the next Court ... ... p. 46

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Whereas by an order of the 10th of October last [*vide Sessions Book* 500, p. 43], upon a hearing of the appeal between the overseers of the parish of South Mymms and those of Aston, county Herts, concerning the settlement of Ann, daughter of John Phillips; it was ordered that the said Ann should be conveyed from Aston to the parish of South Mymms. The said order is now ratified and confirmed ... ... p. 47

Upon a full hearing of the appeal between the churchwardens of Wootton Parish, and those of Aston and South Mymms, concerning the last legal settlement of John, Ann, and Elizabeth, the children of John Phillips, and it appearing that the said John was last legally settled at Wootton, it is ordered that the said children be maintained in that parish ... ... p. 47

Order concerning the settlement of Mary, relict of Robert Outram, and Robert and Elizabeth, her two children, now chargeable to the parish of St. Michael's, Wood Street. Upon proof that the said Robert was last settled in the said parish, it is ordered that they continue there, and that the parish of St. James's, Westminster, be freed ... ... p. 48

Order concerning the settlement of Joseph Taylor, whose wife, Ann, and one child, are chargeable to Rislipp parish. Upon proof that the said Joseph was last legally settled as a hired servant for a year to William Martin, of Harmonsworth, it is ordered that the said Ann, with her child, be conveyed from Rislipp to that parish ... ... p. 49

Order concerning the settlement of Edward Pewry, now chargeable to the hamlet of Mile End Old Town, by an order of the 14th of November last. Upon examination it is ordered that he do continue in the said parish, and that St. Mary's, Whitechapel, be freed from any charge thereof ... p. 50

Order concerning the settlement of Sarah Chandler, now chargeable to Hornsey Parish. Upon proof that the said Sarah was a servant to Moses Sedgwick, in Finchley Parish, it is ordered that she be conveyed from Hornsey to Finchley ... ... p. 51

Dispute between Joseph Hall, of Stebunheath, otherwise Stepney, mariner, and Thomas Jefferies, his apprentice, concerning the discharge of the said apprentice. Upon reading the indenture, dated 9 December, 1691, which shows the said apprentice was to serve for a term of three years only, and the said indenture not being enrolled, it is ordered that the said Jefferies be discharged ... ... p. 52

The petition of the churchwardens and overseers for the liberty above bars, in the parish of St. Andrew's, Holborn, showing the increase of the poor in the said liberty, and the insufficiency of the assessments to answer the disbursements, and praying for an additional rate. It is referred to certain Justices (named), who are to give order for such an additional rate as they shall consider right ... ... p. 52

Difference between the churchwardens and overseers of St. Paul's Parish, Covent Garden, and those of St. Mary-le-Savoy, concerning the settlement of John Evans, his wife and child. Upon proof that the said John "before and since Michaelmas last" inhabited a certain house in the Playhouse Yard, in the said parish of St. Paul's, and paid a yearly rent of £15, it is ordered that they be relieved by the last-named parish, and that of St. Mary-le-Savoy be freed ... ... p. 53

Upon information given on the 5th of December last by several inhabitants of Wapping Hamlet, that Thomas Gatehouse, former churchwarden of the said hamlet, had received several considerable sums of money for the relief of the poor, amounting to £145 and more, and had distributed

but a small part thereof, and had given an imperfect account of the distribution [*vide Sessions Book* No. 501, p. 40], the said Thomas Gatehouse now appearing, and stating that he had distributed the said moneys to the poor, many of whom are now dead, or removed, and that he was interrupted in going from house to house in the said hamlet, and praying for further time to make up his accounts, it is ordered to be referred to certain Justices (named), who are to examine the accounts, and to report the result at the next Sessions ... ... p. 54

Order concerning the settlement of John Bentley, who was passed by order dated the 12th of January from the parish of St. Ann's, Westminster, to that of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields. Upon proof that the said Bentley had no legal settlement in the latter parish, it is ordered that he be conveyed to that of St. Ann's ... ... p. 56

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Proceedings upon the petition of Drue Hesketh, gentleman, showing that he resides chiefly in Lancashire, but when in London in December last, Philip Lloyd, overseer of St. Ann's Parish, Westminster, brought a warrant for apprehending ——— Askue, a coachman, as the reputed father of Elizabeth Wedge's child, and that the said Lloyd affirmed to the said Drue that he was the person meant, and that the petitioner having no person in London to stand as surety for him in the matter, left with the said Lloyd a silver cup, valued at £7, and £10 in money, as pledge to indemnify the said parish for the maintenance of the child until the hearing of the appeal. The said Drue having entered into recognizances to appear at the next Sessions, it is ordered that Lloyd deliver up to the petitioner the said cup and £10 deposited as aforesaid ... ... p. 58

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Order for John Bird and Mabel Haynes to assign Robert Atkins to some fit master to serve the rest of his apprenticehood. Atkins had been bound to John Bird, senior, collar-maker, of St. Anne's, Westminster, who had died. John Bird, junior, and Mabel Haynes were the executors of John Bird, senior ... ... p. 34

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Order confirming the report of the Justices appointed to enquire into the accounts of Thomas Gatehouse, late churchwarden of Wapping. The Court find there is very great defect in the accounts, and injury done to the poor, and that the inhabitants had just cause of complaint ; but as Gatehouse was a poor working smith, not anyways capable of giving satisfaction, at the request of the original complainants he is discharged from any further trouble relating to this county money. A copy of the report is to be entered in the town register book of the said hamlet as a caveat. [*Vide Sessions Book* 502, p. 54.] p. 36

Order for William Underhill, treasurer for the maimed soldiers in the hundreds of Ossulton, Edmonton, and Gore, to pay to Captain Thomas Jones,

keeper of the New Prison, &c., £37 4*s.* out of £74 8*s.* due to him for rent and repairs to New Prison and the House of Correction ... ... p. 37

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The like for Francis Herrick, of Southall, for the hundreds of Elthorn, Spelthorn, and Isleworth, who is also appointed to take the account of Christopher Clitherow, esquire, late treasurer.

Thomas Sanders, of Smithfield Bars, gentleman, is chosen treasurer for the Marshalsea, King's Bench, and Hospitals within the hundreds of Ossulton, Edmonton, and Gore for 1693, in the room of William Gunston, deceased, late treasurer.

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Order for increasing the pensions of all the maimed soldiers paid by the county by the sum of 20/- a year ... ... *ibid.*

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Order for admission of Richard Timms the younger, of Isleworth, mariner, late belonging to their Majesties' ship the "Cornwall," to a pension as a maimed soldier, he having lost the sight of both his eyes ... *ibid.*

Upon the matters in difference between the parishes of West Wycombe, county Bucks, and Isleworth, county Middlesex, it is ordered that Richard Rogers, his wife, and two children be provided for by the latter parish p. 40

Upon the matter in dispute between the parishes of St. Botolph, Aldgate, and St. Paul, Shadwell, concerning the last settlement of John Copping, whose wife, Mary Copping, a lunatic, was by an order dated 21 December last, passed to the parish of St. Paul, Shadwell, it is ordered that the said Mary Copping be removed to the parish of St. Botolph, Aldgate ... p. 41

Upon the matters in dispute between the parishes of St. Clement, Eastcheap, and St. Paul's, Shadwell, concerning the last legal settlement of Robert Chambre, whose wife and two children were, by order dated 14 April, passed to the said parish of St. Clement, Eastcheap, it is ordered that the said wife and children be removed to the said parish of St. Paul's, Shadwell ... ... p. 42

Upon the petition of Squier Collup, constable of the liberty of Lower Barnsbury, in the parish of St. Mary, Islington, it is ordered that the present churchwardens and constables of the said liberty reimburse him the sum of £5 18*s.* 7*d.* for relieving and conveying cripples through the said liberty ... ... p. 43

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Order for respiting all proceedings against the inhabitants of the parish of Hornsey, for not repairing their highways, until the next General Sessions ... ... *ibid.*

Order for the discharge of Thomas Whiteing from the office of scavenger of Goodman's Fields, in the parish of St. Mary Matfellon, *alias* Whitechapel, upon proof that he is infirm, and no tradesman, as the Act of Parliament requires ... ... p. 45

Order for the discharge of William Woolley, late of Highgate, in the parish of Hornsey, from the office of surveyor of the highways of Highgate [Hornsey in margin], upon proof that he has removed from Highgate... *ibid.*

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Order upon the application of the proprietors of the houses fronting John Street, showing that as the "grate" now stands there is not sufficient current to carry off the water to the sewer, and that the said street cannot be paved till the Commissioner of Sewers has prepared the said sewer, the time for the paving is further extended till 1 August next. [*Vide Sessions Book* 500, p. 55.] p. 51

Order in a dispute between the parishes of St. James within the liberty of Westminster, and the liberty of Saffron Hill, Hatton Garden, and Ely Rents in the parish of St. Andrew's, Holborn, concerning the legal settlement of Jane Johnson and her illegitimate child, who was born in Black Boy's Alley in Chick Lane, in the said parish of St. Andrew, Holborn ... ... p. 52

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Admission of Thomas Willis, junior, of Isleworth, waterman, as a pensioner. The said Willis is to receive £3 yearly from the treasurer appointed for the maimed soldiers, he having served during last year in the wars on board their Majesties' ship "Hampton Court," where he received a shot in his right knee ... ... *ibid.*

Proceedings upon the petition of the churchwardens and overseers of St. Giles'-in-the-Fields. Shows that William Challoner, an inhabitant and distracted person, is likely to become chargeable to the said parish, and that there is £50 due to him by bond from ——— Hall, of St. Ann's Parish, Westminster, which bond is held by John Roper, of the parish of St. Giles'-in-the-Fields. Prays that the said bond may be delivered over to the petitioners. Katherine, the wife of the said William, offers security to indemnify the parish, and the matter is referred to certain Justices to take and approve of such security ... ... p. 32

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Proceedings upon the petition of the churchwardens and inhabitants of Bow and Bromley, showing that a new watch-house has been lately built in the great road between Bow and Mile End, for the better security of persons from highwaymen who lurked in and about Bearbinder Lane, and committed robberies in and near the said road, and that the charge for keeping the said watch will be so great that the petitioners cannot defray the same, and praying that the inhabitants of Mile End be ordered to contribute to the same. It is referred to certain Justices to make such order upon the inhabitants of Bow, Bromley, and Mile End as they shall consider fit ... p.37

Upon the information of Samuel Lynne, gentleman, high constable of Ossulston Hundred, that John Breviter, of St. Andrew's Parish, Holborn-above-Barrs, victualler, keeps a disorderly ale and music house near Lamb's Conduit Fields, it is ordered that the said Breviter's license be suppressed ... ... p. 38

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Proceedings upon the petition of James Seamore and James Ately, constables of Ruislip, showing that they served in the said office for last year, and that the lord of the manor has not held a court leet during that time, and praying to be discharged. Ordered accordingly. Joseph Nelham and Daniel Willchin appointed constables, and Samuel Owen and Stephen Ludgold, headboroughs ... ... p. 44

Order of reference concerning the fees delivered into the House of Commons by Mr. John Fox, as the fees "anciently taken in the office of the Clerk of the Peace and gaol delivery of this county"... ... ... p. 45

Order concerning the settlement of Richard Hancock, whose wife, Judith, with their three children, Judith, Waddestill, and Ann, were passed, by an order of the 16th of June, from the parish of St. Mary Matfellon, otherwise Whitechapel, to that of St. Dionis, Backchurch. It is now ordered that the said Judith, with her three children, be conveyed from the parish of St. Dionis to that of St. Mary, it having been proved that they last lived in Winford Street, in the latter parish ... ... *ibid.*

Order concerning the settlement of William Lucas, who was lately passed from Heston Parish to that of Sunbury. Upon proof that he was last legally settled in the latter parish, it is ordered that the previous order be confirmed ... ... p. 46

Adjournment of the matter concerning the fees of the Clerk of the Peace [*vide supra*, p. 45]... ... ... p. 47

Order that all proceedings against the inhabitants of Hornsey Parish, for not repairing their highways, be respited until next Sessions. The like orders for Wilsden and Hampstead ... ... *ibid.*

Order for reimbursing William Flewellin (*sic*) and Richard Mason, formerly constables in Finchley Parish, the sums of £8 12*s*. 5*d*. and £13 13*s*. 9*d*. expended by them for the relief and conveyance of cripples and vagrants through the said parish ... ... p. 48

Order for an extension of the time until the 12th of next January for paving the street leading from Clerkenwell Green to St. John Street [*vide Sessions Book* No. 500, p. 55] ... ... *ibid.*

Order concerning the settlement of Joseph Napps, whose wife, Ursula, with their two children, were passed, by an order of the 15th of June, from the parish of St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, to that of St. Buttolph Without, Aldgate. Upon proof that the said Joseph and Ursula have dwelt, since January, 1685, in the former parish, where their children have been born and

baptised, it is ordered that the said Ursula and her two children be conveyed to St. Leonard's Parish ... ... p. 49

Order concerning the settlement of Jane Griffith and her child, Jane, who were passed from the parish of St. Andrew's, Holborn, to that of St James's, Clerkenwell. Upon proof that the said Jane had no settlement in the former parish, it is ordered that she and her child [remain] in that of St. James's. p. 50

Order concerning the settlement of Hannah Broadway, who with her two children, Hannah Owen and Mary Broadway, were lately passed from the parish of St. Mary Matfellon, otherwise Whitechapel, to that of St. Mary Magdalen, Bermondsey. Upon proof that the said Hannah is not the wife of Benjamin Broadway, and that her children were born in Whitechapel, it is ordered that she, with her said children, be conveyed to the said parish of St. Mary Matfellon ... ... p. 51

Order concerning the settlement of Zacheus Lovelock, whose child, Constance, was passed by an order of the 23rd of June, from the parish of St. Mary Matfellon to the precinct of Trinity, Minories. Upon proof that the said child was born in the former parish, it is ordered that she be removed there ... ... p. 52

Order on the petition of the churchwardens, surveyors of the highways, and others, inhabitants of Hornsey Parish. Shows that the highways are very much out of repair, and that for not repairing them they stand indicted, and that they have already expended about £50 on the same, and that the charge for repairing the remainder will amount to £50 more. They pray that a rate may be levied for raising the money disbursed and to be disbursed. Ordered accordingly ... ... p. 53

Order for the reimbursement of William Everard, formerly churchwarden of the parish of St. Mary Matfellon, otherwise Whitechapel, and Benjamin Knowles, John Douglas, and ——— Lamb, overseers of the poor there, they having expended £47 13*s.* 2*d.* beyond their receipts ... ... p. 54

Order concerning the settlement of Ann Barratt, whose children, Ann, Elizabeth, and ———, were passed, by an order of the 10th of May last, from Bow Hamlet to the parish of St. James's, Clerkenwell. Upon proof that the two eldest, viz., Ann and Elizabeth, were born in Bow Hamlet, and ——— in St. James's Parish ; it is ordered that the two eldest be removed to the said hamlet, and that the youngest continue in the said parish of St. James's ... ... p. 55

Order concerning the last legal settlement of Margaret Archer, widow, lately passed from the parish of St. Andrew's, Holborn-above-Bars, to that of St. Ann and Agnes Within, Aldersgate. Upon proof that the said Margaret was last settled in the latter parish, it is ordered that the previous order be confirmed ... ... p. 56

Order concerning the settlement of Mary Russell, lately passed from the parish of St. Andrew's, Holborn, to that of St. Margaret's, Westminster. Upon proof that the said Mary was last settled in the latter parish, it is ordered that she be continued in the same ... ... p. 57

Order for discharging Peter Rishea from an order concerning the bastard child of Phœbe Topping... ... ... p. 57

Upon the petition of Alice May, widow, showing that she apprenticed her daughter, Mary, to Mary Cony, of Saffron Hill, in St. Andrew's Parish, Holborn, sempstress, and that the said Cony has wrongfully charged her apprentice with theft, and praying she may be discharged from her apprenticeship, it is ordered accordingly ... ... p. 59

Order for passing Sara Castle, a poor blind woman, to Langford, in Somersetshire, she having been apprehended by the churchwardens of the parish of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields for begging in the said parish where she has no legal settlement ... ... p. 60

Proceedings upon the petition of Abraham Dudley and Anthony Taylor, surveyors of the highways of Isleworth Parish, which shows that the said highways are in great need of repair, and prays that a rate may be levied to enable the petitioners to finish the said work. Ordered accordingly p. 61

Order concerning the settlement of Richard Lawrence, who with his wife and one child were passed by an order of the 6th of May, from the parish of South Mymms to that of Essenden. Upon proof that the said Richard was last legally settled in the latter parish, it is ordered that he and his family do continue in the same ... ... p. 62

Order for confirming an order adjudging William Griffin, of Vine Street, in St. Andrew's Parish, Holborn, victualler, to be the father of Katherine Williams's female child ... ... p. 63

Order concerning the settlement of Grace Moreton, widow, who was lately passed from the parish of St. Giles'-in-the-Fields to that of Kensington. Upon proof that the said Grace has no legal settlement in the former parish, it is ordered that she remain at Kensington ... ... p. 64

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Upon information that the common highways in the parish of St. Mary's, Islington, from Highgate to the City of London, are in need of repair, it is ordered that an assessment, not exceeding 4*d.* in the £, be levied for the repair of the same... ... ... p. 66

Order concerning the settlement of Alice Grey, who was lately passed from the parish of St. Giles'-in-the-Fields to that of St. Paul's, Covent Garden. Upon proof that the said Alice was last settled as a hired servant with Thomas Bradley, victualler, in the latter parish, it is ordered that she do continue in the same ... ... p. 67

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Order on the complaint made by Mr. Hawley, J.P., concerning a libellous paper entitled "The Trial of John Foster for Stealing a Magpie." Shows that the said Foster was committed to New Prison for the offence, and that he refused before Mr. Hawley to find sureties, and that after the prosecutor had preferred a bill against the prisoner he was conveyed to the Old Bailey and tried without Mr. Hawley's knowledge. The said printed paper is declared to be a scandalous libel, reflecting on both Mr. Hawley and the Court, and that Richard Baldwyn, the printer, ought to be prosecuted for publishing the same ... ... *ibid.*

Miscellaneous memoranda:—

"It is ordered Mr. Fox do deliver the record of the conviction of George Whitehead for preaching in an unlawful conventicle, and of his appeal and proceedings thereupon in October Sessions, 1692, to the Clerk of the Peace, on notice."

Order for the inhabitants of Islington to pay William Duncomb, former surveyor of Islington, £42 1*s.* 7*d.*, being the amount disbursed by him in the parish [*vide Sessions Book* 506, p. 35].

Notes as to committals:—

Upon a complaint made by Thomas Brookes, senior, of Little Stanmore, that the inhabitants of Hendon refuse relief to Elizabeth Bates, widow; it is ordered that two overseers attend to show the cause.

The churchwardens of Bermondsey and Whitechapel to attend a settlement in Whitechapel.

Mary Russel to be continued in St. Margaret's, Westminster, instead of at St. Andrew's, Holborn, where she now is.

"A meeting house of a congregation of dissenting protestants for religious worship is certified to be held in Prince's Street, in Upper Moorefields, in the parish of St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, which is recorded according to the statute by Richard Larndner (?) preacher or teacher therein"... ... ... p. 76

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Order for William Bolter, a constable in the parish of St. Clement Danes, to deliver to Jonathan Evans, "one tabby petticoat with a silver fringe, one alamode hood, one silk scarf, and one threed satin gown," which goods were delivered to him by the said Evans ... ... p. 49

Order for all constables and headboroughs (so that they be more readily found) to fix on the posts of their doors a piece of painted wood in the shape of a staff, showing their office ... ... p. 49

Upon the petition of Isaac Wilson, showing that £11 10*s.* 0*d.* is due to him from Edward Nourse, of Fulham, gentleman, for wages as coachman, and praying that the said Nourse be compelled to pay, the matter is referred to certain Justices (named), who are to make such award as they shall consider fit. p. 50

Proceedings upon the petition of Edward Shearme, of St. Clement Danes, tailor, which shows that Joseph Bowes, his apprentice, has run away four times, and has stolen several goods, for which the said Joseph has been committed to the House of Correction and discharged, and that the trustees (named) for the said apprentice endeavour to compel the petitioner to receive the said Joseph to serve the residue of his time. By Shearme's consent it is ordered that he do repay the trustees £6 13*s.* 4*d.* towards placing the apprentice with another master, and that the indentures be hereby cancelled ... ... p. 51

Upon the petition of several inhabitants of Wapping Hamlet, Stepney, complaining that they have been, and still are, oppressed by some few others in places of trust, who impose excessive poor rates, it is ordered to be referred to certain Justices (named), who are to examine the accounts of the churchwardens and overseers of the poor there, and to report their opinions at the next Sessions ... ... p. 52

Upon information that the common highway in St. Mary's Parish, Islington, leading from Highgate to the City of London, is in much need of repair, and that the assessment ordered last Sessions [*vide Sessions Book* No. 506, p. 66] is insufficient without the help of the Act 3 & 4 William and Mary; it is referred to certain Justices (named), who are to see that the said Act be effectually put into execution, whereby the said highway may be thoroughly repaired ... ... p. 54

Order for the payment of £42 1*s.* 7*d.* due to William Duncomb, former surveyor of the highways of Islington. [*Vide Sessions Book* 506, p. 35.] p. 55

Upon the petition of John Williams, of Norton Folgate, showing that he has been elected headborough, and that he is a serjeant in Captain Thomas Austin's company of militia, belonging to the Tower Hamlets, and that all officers belonging to the said regiment have always been exempt from serving any parish office, and praying to be discharged, it is ordered accordingly, and Richard Carroll is ordered to appear to take the oath for the execution of the said office ... ... p. 56

Whereas John Miles, a poor child in Hornsey Parish, was apprenticed by the churchwardens of the said parish, on the 15th of July, 1690, to Robert Evans, of St. Giles' Without, Cripplegate, baker, until the said apprentice should attain the age of 24 years, and whereas the said apprentice has absented

himself, and is desirous to go to sea, by consent of the churchwarden and the said Evans, the said Miles is discharged from his apprenticeship ... p. 57

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Upon the matter in dispute between the parishes of Mile End, New Town, in the parish of Stepney, and St. Mary Matfellon, alias Whitechapel, concerning Isabella Johnson, William Burrett, and Joseph Johnson, who, by an order dated 12 July last, were conveyed to the said parish of Mile End, it is now ordered that they be reconveyed to the said parish of St. Mary Matfellon ... ... p. 48

Upon the report of certain Justices (named) that they have viewed and inspected the south side of a certain new street, called Eagle Street, in the parish of St. Giles'-in-the-Fields, and judge it fit to be paved with stone from the east side of a stone being a boundary of the said parish there westward to

the channel in Kingsgate Street in the said parish, it is ordered that the said paving be done before the first day of the next Sessions ... ... p. 49

Upon the report of certain Justices (named) that they have viewed a new street, called Leman Street, in Goodman's Fields, leading from Rosemary Lane to the High Street, in the parish of St. Mary Matfellon, and find it very much out of repair and almost impassable, and judge it fit to be paved with stone, or otherwise mended, from the house late in the occupation of Benjamin Giles, deceased, to the house of Henry Whiteupp inclusive, on the east side of the said street, called Leman Street, and from the Black Boy Coffee-house to the Black Horse Inn, on the west side of the said street, it is ordered that the said paving is to be done accordingly before the 29th of November next ... p. 50

Order for the admission of William Harris, of the parish of St. Giles Without, Cripplegate, to a yearly pension of £3, from the "Maimed Soldiers' Fund," upon proof that he is very old and that he lost the use of his left arm in their Majesties' service ... ... p. 51

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Upon an appeal made by Hannah Johnson, widow, of the hamlet of Wapping, Stepney, against the poor rates demanded from her, it is ordered that the matter be referred to Justices (named), and until their report is received, no warrant of distress is to be executed upon the goods of the said Hannah Johnson for such rates ... ... *ibid.*

Order for superseding a warrant of distress against the surveyors of the highways of Fulham, for not taking away the dirt and soil; the reason given for not having done the work being that there happened a great "glutt" of rain and wet weather ... ... p. 53

Upon the matter in dispute between the parishes of St. Giles'-in-the-Fields and St. Andrew's, Holborn, concerning Mary Getley, who, by an order of two Justices (named), was conveyed to the former parish, it is now ordered that she be removed to St. Andrew's, Holborn ... ... p. 54

Order that all the bread to be made hereafter by the common baker shall be made according to the assizes of bread, which is that a penny wheaten loaf is to contain 6½ ounces, and that three halfpenny white loaves are to contain the like weight, and household bread made of wheat is to contain double the weight of white bread ... ... p. 55

Whereas one Daniel Hodge stands indicted for that he, using the trade of a butcher, did on 15 September expose for sale, 50 sheep alive, and 50 lambs alive, against the form of the statute; by consent of counsel for the prosecutor, Robert Hyde, it is ordered that the said Daniel Hodge should pay the prosecutor his reasonable costs and charges when taxed ... p. 56

Upon the matters in dispute between the parishes of St. Clement Danes and St. Giles'-in-the-Fields, concerning Mary, wife of John Camplin, who with her three children, by an order dated 5 August last, was passed to the parish of St. Clement Danes, it is ordered that the said Mary Camplin and her three children do continue in the said latter parish ... ... p. 59

Upon the matter in dispute between the constables of Kensington and Hammersmith, concerning the passing of cripples and vagrants, it is ordered that all such as are passed and travel in the Uxbridge Road shall be by the said constable of Hammersmith passed on the north road, in the hamlet of Hammersmith, direct to Acton and not to Chiswick, and that all such as are passed on the west shall be conveyed from Hammersmith to Chiswick, and so forward to Brentford ... ... p. 60

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Upon the complaint of several inhabitants of St Andrew's Parish, Holborn, that the churchwarden and overseers (named) for 1691 and 1692. have presented an extravagant account, but have refused to produce their books and vouchers, it is ordered that the said churchwarden and overseers do attend certain Justices (named), who are to inspect the said accounts, and make such order as they shall think meet ... ... p. 48

Order for certain Justices (named) to enquire what money Jonathan Easden has extorted from various persons in the Tower Hamlets, and other places, upon pretence of non-prosecution for keeping disorderly houses, or for frequenting the same ... ... p. 49

Whereas William Rant, of St. Paul's Parish, Covent Garden, silkman, is charged for turning away James Barnaby, his apprentice, before the expiration of his apprenticeship, and upon evidence that the said Rant has refused to instruct and provide for the said apprentice, it is ordered that Rant do forthwith receive back the said apprentice, and provide for and instruct him for the residue of his apprenticeship ... ... *ibid.*

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Upon the dispute between the parishes of Hendon and Harrow, concerning Abigail Chandler, wife of John Chandler, who, by an order dated 22nd of September last, was with her male child conveyed from the hamlet of Pinner, in the parish of Harrow, to the parish of Hendon, it is ordered that the said Abigail continue in Hendon ... ... p. 49

Upon the dispute between the parishes of St. Bride's, London, and Ealing, concerning three small children, Anne Bride, Thomas Grove, and Clara Goodwin, removed, by an order dated 20 November last, to St. Bride's, they having been put out to nurse by the officers of the said latter parish to one Elizabeth Curtis, of Old Brentford, it is ordered that they continue in St. Bride's ... ... *ibid.*

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of Enfield to the said parish of Waltham Abbey, it is ordered that the said three children continue in the last-named parish... ... ... p. 51

Upon the petition of William Field and Lawrence Mortimer, late constables of the parish of St. James, Westminster, it is ordered that £3 5*s.* 0*d.* be paid to the said Field. and £3 15*s.* 0*d.* to the said Mortimer, they having disbursed those sums during their office for the passing of vagrants and cripples ... . p. 52

Upon the matters in dispute between the parishes of Twickenham and West Drayton, concerning Elizabeth Smith and one child, who, by an order dated 11th of January last were removed from West Drayton to Twickenham, it is ordered that they be re-conveyed to West Drayton ... ... p. 53

Order that John Pery, esquire, treasurer for the maimed soldiers and mariners within the hundreds of Ossulton, Edmonton, and Gore, to pay to John Porter, of the parish of Stebunheath, alias Stepney, a maimed seaman, the sum of 20/-.

The like orders for :—
Richard Bubbs, of the parish of St. Giles Without, Cripplegate.
George Jones, of the same parish.
Joseph Spenser, of the same parish.
Thomas Rymer, of the parish of Stepney.
John Perrin, of the parish of St. Leonard, Shoreditch ... ... p. 54

Upon the matters in dispute between the parishes of St. Paul, Covent Garden, and St. Ann, Westminster, concerning John Harding, Mary, his wife, and Mary, their child, late removed to the said parish of St. Paul, Covent Garden, it is ordered that they do continue in the last-named parish... *ibid.*

Upon the petition of the churchwarden of the hamlet of Ratcliffe, showing that by reason of the great increase of the poor, occasioned by the present war, he has been forced to disburse of his own moneys, and that before this year has expired he will be out of pocket at least £200, it is ordered that an assessment be made upon the inhabitants of the said hamlet, and the petitioner's complaint considered ... ... p. 55

Whereas at the Sessions held on the 4th of December last [*vide Sessions Book* No. 509, p. 47] it was ordered that the churchwardens of the hamlet of Hammersmith, in the parish of Fulham, should pay to Thomas Barrett, late headborough of the said hamlet, the sum of £6 8*s.* 0*d.*, expended by him for passing cripples, which the churchwardens, for certain reasons set forth, refused to pay ; it is now ordered that an assessment be made on the inhabitants of the said hamlet for reimbursing the petitioner ... ... p. 56

Upon the matters in dispute between the parishes of Ealing and Harrow, concerning John Chapman and his wife and child, who, by an order, were lately removed to the parish of Ealing, it is ordered that they continue in the said latter parish ... ... p. 57

Order by the Court that no Justice of the Peace, nor his clerk, shall receive any dividend, saving only in that division where his master dwells, of the money received at the general renewing of victuallers' licenses, and that no clerk shall receive more than one dividend in one division ... ... *ibid.*

Order that from henceforth no prisoner committed to the House of Correction shall be discharged from his or her imprisonment (except in public Sessions), but by the committing Justice, or, in his absence, by two other Justices at least ... ... p. 58

Order for Justices to enquire into the petition of Joseph Allen, raker of the hamlet of Ratcliff, who alleges that there is due to him the sum of £20 for cleansing the streets ... ... *ibid.*

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Whereas it was ordered on the 13th of October last [*vide Sessions Book* No. 508, p. 49] that a certain new street, called Eagle Street, in the parish of St. Giles'-in the-Fields, should be paved with stone, before the first day of the next Sessions; now, upon consideration of the reasons set forth in the petition of Thomas Pelling and John Mitchell, an extension of time is granted until the first day of the next Sessions... ... ... p. 41

Order to certain Justices (named) to meet on the 27th of February, to examine what fees have been anciently taken by the Clerk of the Peace and all other officers of this Court, and also by the respective clerks of the Justices of the Peace ... ... p. 42

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Order for the attendance at Westminster Hall, on 16 April, of Richard Gray, gentleman, treasurer within the hundreds of Elthorn, Spelthorn, and Isleworth, for 1692, for the Marshalsea, King's Bench, and Hospitals, to give an account of money received by him from the several high constables in the said division, for the relief of the poor prisoners ... ... p. 44

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Order for Jacob Clarke, of Teddington Parish, yeoman, to be sworn as constable of the said parish.

Note follows, dated 22 May, 1694, that Richard Gardiner be sworn constable in the room of the said Jacob ... ... p. 51

Upon the petition of John Hatchett, of Shepperton Parish, yeoman, showing that he has served the office of petty constable in the said parish for the past year, and that he is now chosen churchwarden, and praying to be discharged from the former office, it is ordered accordingly, and that William Goodwin, yeoman, be sworn constable in the room of the said John... p. 51

Upon the petition of Edward Norwood, of St. James's Parish, Clerkenwell, showing that on the 11th of April he was chosen scavenger of the liberty of St. John of Jerusalem, in the said parish, "although he is a gentleman, and no tradesman," and praying to be discharged, it is ordered accordingly ... ... p. 52

Order as to lighting the streets :—Whereas, by an Act of Parliament of 2 William and Mary, it is amongst other things enacted that every householder within any of the parishes, in the counties of Middlesex and Surrey, and cities and liberties of London and Westminster, whose house adjoins, or is near the street, from Michaelmas to Lady Day yearly, shall every night hang out candles or lights in lanterns, "on the outside of the house next the street to enlighten the same for the conveniency of passengers from time to time as it shall grow dark, until twelve of the clock in the night, upon pain of forfeiting the sum of 2/- for every default," excepting those who shall agree to use lamps, at such distances as shall be approved by two or more Justices; and whereas the partners of the convex lights, have since the making of the said Act, at great expense carried out the lighting of the public streets, and passages, in and about the town. The Court is informed that several persons neither hang out lights nor pay to these lights so placed, and orders that, for the more effectual carrying out of the said Act, all householders liable to the operation of the Act do hang out lights accordingly, upon pain of 2/- for each default, and declares that all public passages and thoroughfares in and about the town comprised within the weekly bills of mortality are and ought to be esteemed streets, and directs the Justices to view and regulate the lamps set up by the patentees ... ... p. 53

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Certificate of two Justices (named) that they have viewed the pavement in Pall Mall, in St. James's Parish, between the houses of John Murray and Robert Gisborne, and that they find upwards of four feet thereof is in need of repair, and ought to be restored by the said Gisborne, and that the denter stone is not placed in the middle of the street. Ordered that the said denter stone be removed to the proper place and that the said Gisborne do pave to the middle of the street, "to be computed from the upright walls on each side" ... ... p. 57

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Upon the petition of Thomas Bedford, Samuel Blackerby, and others, inhabitants of St. James's Parish, Clerkenwell, complaining of "great abuses

of the poor," and of unfair assessment of the rates, full instructions are issued for the regulation of the said rates for the relief of the poor in the said parish ... ... p. 58

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Order concerning the settlement of Jane Mitchell, who, by an order of the 5th of March, was removed from Fulham Parish, "on Hammersmith side," to that of Kensington ... ... *ibid.*

Upon the information that the common highway in St. Pancras Parish, leading from Battle Bridge to the crossway beyond St. Pancras Church, is very much out of repair, and that the surveyors, and other inhabitants have diverted the water course in the said way, and made several ditches which have proved very prejudicial to the said highways, it is ordered that an assessment be made to meet the expense of the repairs ... ... p. 61

Certificate of the Justices, dated the 20th of April, showing, upon the oath of William Cook and John Love, of Staines, inn-holders, that there is due to the said witnesses and others in the said parish £119 "for the quarters and debts contracted by the officers and soldiers of a troop of horse, commanded by Captain Fletcher, in the regiment of Colonel Coy," who were quartered in the said parish ... ... p. 62

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Proceedings upon the petition of Edward Townsend, one of the surveyors of the highways in Hornsey Parish, showing that the highway leading towards Barnet from Hornsey Lane end to the outparts of the said parish, for about a mile, are in great need of repair, and that the statute work is insufficient to repair the same, the cost of which will be over £200, and praying that a rate may be levied towards the repair of the same, it is ordered accordingly. p. 64

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Upon the petition of John Howland, of Finchley Parish, yeoman, showing that during his office of constable he expended £11 19*s.* 8*d.* for the

passing and relieving of cripples, vagrants, and other impotent persons, and praying that a rate may be assessed to reimburse the petitioner, it is ordered accordingly ... ... p. 66

Proceedings upon the petition of Thomas Barnett, of Finchley Parish, yeoman, which shows that he served the office of constable last year, when he expended £5 5*s.* 11*d.* for passing and relieving cripples, vagrants, and others, and prays that he may be reimbursed ... ... *ibid.*

Order that Edward Danson, overseer of Finchley Parish, do pay to Richard Mason, constable of the said parish for 1692, £13 13*s.* 9*d.*, expended by him in relieving and passing cripples, vagrants, and others p. 67

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Petition of Thomas Bedingfeild, of Hornsey Parish, showing that he served the offices of surveyor of the highways and constable for 1686 and 1689, and that he expended £15 16*s.* 1*d.* in the repair of the highways, and in passing and relieving cripples and vagabonds, and praying to be reimbursed ... ... p. 68

Proceedings upon a complaint that the constables of St. Mary's, Islington, have, shortly before their discharge from office, privately made a house to house visitation in order to obtain the subscriptions of the inhabitants for the election of new constables. It is ordered that the churchwardens and others, inhabitants of the said parish, who are usually present at the election of parish officers, do nominate fit persons to be constables there in such manner as officers of the said parish should be nominated ... ... *ibid.*

Petition of Richard Rowley and Henry Page, surveyors of the highways of Finchley Parish, showing that the highway leading from Highgate to Barnet is much in need of repair, and that the statute work is insufficient to repair the same, and praying that an assessment may be made to meet the expense of the said repairs. Ordered accordingly ... ... p. 69

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Upon the information of Mr. Hardisty that he had received a declaration against the inhabitants of Ossulston Hundred, at the suit of John Russell, for a robbery committed at Hornsey, on the 21st of March, 5 William and Mary [1693–4], the said Russell's loss being 35*s.* in money, a watch, and lace to the value of £73 9*s.* 0*d.*, it is referred to certain Justices (named), who are to give such order for the defence of the suit as they shall consider meet *ibid.*

Upon information that Hugh Wilkinson, Samuel Jones, William Tumber, Moses Cole, and Mary Devourse, widow, living by the Tower Ditch, in the parish of St. Buttolph Without, Aldgate, Henry Smith, "at the Shipwright's Arms," in Rosemary Lane, Mary Thoroughgood, of the precincts of St. Katherine's, near the Tower; William Buxton, of Church Lane . . . Elizabeth Aaron, at the Blue Anchor, at King Edward Stairs, and Frances Emms, "at

the Redcrosse in Cinnamon Street," keep disorderly houses upon pretence of licenses granted for selling ale; it is ordered that the said licenses be suppressed... ... ... p. 71

Order for the appearance, on the 22nd of May next, of Richard Gray, gentleman, treasurer for the Marshalsea, King's Bench, and Hospitals, in Elthorn, Spelthorn, and Isleworth Hundreds, for 1692, to give an account of the money received by him from the high constables in the said division for the relief of poor prisoners ... ... p. 72

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Upon the information of several ancient inhabitants of the parish of St. Giles'-in-the-Fields that a rate is usually made every year in the said parish for the repair of the highways, but that many persons refuse to pay the same, and praying an assessment may be enforced for the said repairs, it is ordered accordingly, and instructions are given concerning the said assessment... ... ... p. 74

Upon the dispute between Anna Victoria Turner, of St. James's, Westminster, spinster, and Katherine, daughter of Margaret Lambert, of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, widow, concerning the discharge of the said Katherine from her apprenticeship, it is ordered that she continue with her said mistress, and that her mother be allowed a weekly sum from the churchwardens of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, towards the maintenance of the said Katherine during her apprenticeship ... ... p. 75

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At the Sessions on 17 April [*vide Sessions Book* No. 512, p. 67], Edward Danson, one of the overseers of the parish of Finchley, was ordered to pay Richard Mason, constable of the said parish for the year 1692, the sum of £13 13*s.* 9*d.* The said Edward Danson has not complied with the order; and it is now ordered that the overseers of the parish audit the accounts of the said Edward Danson, and, if thought fit, make the said payment to Richard Mason ... ... p. 39

The petition of Robert Amye, son of Kendrich Amye, showing that he was, on 5 April, 1693, apprenticed to Jonathan Ward, of "Sheirlane," in the parish of St. Clement Danes, baker, for the term of eight years, and that during that time he has been "grievously misused and immoderately corrected, and that the said Ward has now left his habitation and gone into Whitefriars for refuge." He prays for his indentures to be cancelled, which request is granted ... ... p. 40

Order, upon the petition of John Winch and William Maxum, overseers of the hamlet of Hammersmith for the year last past, to examine the accounts of Robert Fowles and Thomas Holding, the present overseers, and also, if thought fit, to pay to the said Winch and Maxum £14 19*s.* 9*d.*, which they allege they expended, of their own moneys, during their office ... p. 41

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Petition of certain inhabitants of the parish of St. James, Clerkenwell, showing that they are over-rated for the poor-tax, and that many of the ancient inhabitants who have great estates, lands, &c., in the parish, particularly Mr. John Cross and Mr. Edward Fawcett, do not pay proportionably. The matter is referred to certain Justices to report thereon ... ... p. 46

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Upon the petition of certain parishioners of Finchley, showing that they have lately sustained much loss through the pilfering by Richard Rogers, a boy of 14 years, now in prison at Clerkenwell, it is ordered with the consent of the said Richard Rogers, that Captain Thomas Jones, keeper of the said prison, do deliver the said Richard to some officer belonging to one of their Majesties' ships, whereby he may be enabled to get an honest livelihood p. 51

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Upon the report of certain Justices who have examined the treasurers' books of the fund for maimed soldiers in the several hundreds in the county, and find that there remains in the hands of John Herbert, esquire, treasurer for the hundreds of Ossulton, Edmonton, and Gore, a considerable sum of money over and above what will satisfy the claims in those hundreds, it is ordered that the said John Herbert pay to Thomas Chambers, treasurer for the hundreds of Elthorn, Spelthorn, and Isleworth, the sum of £40 ... p. 59

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Upon the petition of divers of the inhabitants of the liberty of East Smithfield, in the parish of St. Botolph Without, Aldgate, showing that they being destitute of a watch-house for the said liberty have been forced to make use of a public-house, which produces many inconveniences, "the watchmen being often overtaken in drink," and that the lord of the manor has granted a lease of a piece of ground at the upper end of the "first street" of East Smithfield, "where a middle row of houses are rebuilding near the place where the former watch-house stood," it is ordered that the inhabitants be at liberty to erect a convenient watch-house there ... ... p. 65

Order that John Windupp, of the parish of St. James, Clerkenwell, be admitted to a pension of £3 a year, upon proof that he served their Majesties in their wars, and received several wounds in both his legs on board the "Captain," in the engagement with the French at Beachy Head, on 13 June, 1690 ... ... p. 66

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Upon the petition of Thomas Hobbs, of the parish of St. Giles'-in-the-Fields, doctor of physics, against his assessment of poor rate, the matter is referred to certain Justices to report thereon at the next Sessions ... p. 70

Order for the admission of William Kent, of Old Brentford, in the parish of Ealing, to a pension of £3 yearly, he having had his left leg shot off, whilst serving as mariner in the Royal Navy ... ... *ibid.*

Whereas in the fifth and sixth year of the present reign, by an Act of Parliament for erecting a new parish to be called the parish of St. John, of Wapping, in the county of Middlesex, the hamlet of Wapping, Whitechapel, is made parochial by the name of St. John, Wapping, and is made a distinct parish of itself, the inhabitants thereof to be subject to all rates, &c., for the repairing of the highways of St. Mary Matfellon, *alias* Whitechapel, and that the ministers and churchwardens of St. John are to have power, with the minister and officers of the parish of St. Mary Matfellon, in adjusting all rates and taxes, &c.

Now by complaint made by the churchwardens of the said new parish of St. John that the churchwardens of the said parish of St. Mary have not called them to adjust the rates, and refuse to give any account touching the same,

it is ordered that the churchwardens, overseers, and surveyors of the said parish of St. Mary do attend at the next Sessions with their accounts... p. 71

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Upon complaint of several inhabitants of the parish of St. Andrew's, Holborn, for the liberty above Bars, that William Pangborn, one of the overseers of the poor of the said liberty, and collector of the second royal aid, did without the consent of the assessors collect an overplus of £30, which he still detains in his hands and refuses to account for, the matter is referred to certain Justices for report ... ... pp. 73, 74

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Upon the oath of Richard Deely, of St. James's, Clerkenwell, gentleman, that Gabriel Joy, surveyor of the said parish, has received of the said Deely 6/- towards the repairs of the highway, it is ordered that the said Joy do attend on the 12th instant, so that it may be considered whether the collection be made according to law ... ... p. 33

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William Mitchell, a poor man, aged about 60, and who has "a charge of small children," is discharged from serving the office of headborough of Golden Lane Liberty, in the parish of St. Giles' Without, Cripplegate p. 38

Upon the petition of Joseph Stent, John Slocomb, and Richard Gastner, surveyors of the highways of Harmandsworth Parish, showing that they have disbursed £30 "over and above the statute work done by the inhabitants of the said parish," and that the highways are still in need of repair, and praying that a rate may be made for reimbursing the petitioners, as well as for the further repairing of the said highways, it is ordered accordingly ... p. 39

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Order in a dispute between the parishes of St. Giles'-in-the-Fields and St. Clement Danes, as to the settlement of Martha, wife of John Burd (*vide* p. 34). The said Martha, "about two years since," was the servant of Daniel Carrier, of St. Giles'-in-the-Fields, with whom she lived for a year ... p. 45

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Adam Stubbs, of St. James's Parish, Westminster, is admitted as a pensioner in the hundred of Ossulston, he having served as a soldier in Captain Leigh's troop in the Royal Regiment of Dragoons for many years, and in most of the late engagements in Ireland, where he lost the use of one of his legs... ... ... *ibid.*

Order for the augmentation of the pension of William Lyddall, of St. Mary Matfellon, otherwise Whitechapel, a maimed soldier and mariner of this county. [*Vide Sessions Book* 512, p. 36] ... ... p. 51

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that numbers of horse of the Earl of Oxford's regiment were quartered upon them, and that the officers have not paid the petitioners for their quarters, and that the said officers have, sometimes with billets and sometimes without, quartered men and horses in excessive numbers upon the said innholders, "without the constables of the respective wards and divisions," and prays for relief in the premises. Upon proof that the complaint is groundless, the petition is dismissed ... ... p 54

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The Court is informed that great numbers of poor men and women parochial pensioners, beg in other parishes, whereby the inhabitants of the county are greatly oppressed "with the poor begging at their doors and shops." It is ordered that the various churchwardens and overseers provide badges or tokens for all their "pension poor," of some durable metal bearing the name of their parish, hamlet or precinct, which badge is to be fixed at the end of the left sleeve of the pensioner's outmost garment. Pensioners refusing to wear the badge are to have their pensions stopped until they conform to the order ... ... p. 57

Proceedings upon the petition of John Chaplyn, which shows that he was apprenticed to John Heylin, citizen and sadler of London, on the 13th of October, 1691, and that on the same day he was passed over to Francis Walker, near Charing Cross, in the parish of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, scrivener, whom he served for two years, when the said Walker died, and that the petitioner has served Ann Walker, the widow, for one year, and that the petitioner finds the said Ann's assistant incapable of instructing him, and prays to be discharged. Upon proof that the said Ann has married one Edward Stephenson, scrivener, who is capable of instructing the said apprentice, it is ordered that he serve for the remainder of his term ... p. 58

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Order to the churchwardens, &c., of the parish of Ealing, to make a rate for repaying to William Blanchett £5 6*s.* 2*d.*, expended by him in serving as constable for the division of Old Brentford and surveyor of the highways in 1690 and 1692 ... ... p. 43

"The Right Honourable Charles, Earl of Monmouth" and "other persons of quality" in the parish of Fulham, refuse to pay a double poor's rate duly made. The Court appoints Sir John Elwes and Richard Woodcock, two of the Justices, to wait on these persons of quality, and "to desire of them to pay the moneys assessed." Report is to be made to the next Court of Quarter Sessions ... ... p. 45

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Order for the matron of the College of Infants at Clerkenwell to receive 3/- per week from Sir Thomas Rowe (who is to deduct it from his rent due to the trustees) for the support of one ——— Stott, a lame child ... p. 47

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	£	*s.*	*d.*
To John Wells, at the White Horse	4	19	11
Francis Harman	0	14	8
William Saunders, at the Rose and Crown ...	0	14	8
James Acton, at the Black Boy	0	11	4
Thomas Bell, at the Bear	0	14	5
William Field, at the Anchor	0	13	4
Richard Fortune, at the Dog	0	13	4
John Beauchamp	3	19	7
James Langley, at the Nag's Head	1	9	11
John Love, at the Angel	3	2	11
William Connop	4	4	1
William Cooke, at the Red Lyon...	2	15	0
Total	£24	13	2

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Upon the petition of George Smyth, of Fulham Parish, yeoman, showing that he disbursed £5 7*s.* 6*d.* in relieving and passing cripples and vagrants during last year when he served the office of constable, and praying to be repaid, it is referred to certain Justices, who are to order payment if they think fit ... ... p. 50

John Taaffe, of St. James's, Westminster, gentleman, is adjudged the father of Elizabeth Mabbett's male child, who was born in the parish of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields last August. Order for the apprehension of the said Taaffe ... ... *ibid.*

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Order that all victuallers in the future are to appear in person before the Court at the general renewing of licenses, and each is to enter into a recognizance, with two sufficient sureties, to observe and keep good rule. Complaint had been made that the constables and beadles had gone from alehouse to alehouse in several divisions, extorting money from the victuallers on pretence of carrying in their licenses to be renewed ... ... p. 33

Order made for Thomas Crawford, a headborough of St. Giles'-in-the-Fields, to return Joseph Cole, of St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, the sum of £32 16*s.* 0*d.* Crawford, under a Justices' warrant, had searched Cole's house, where he found brass money, and £32 16*s.* 0*d.* of good money, apparently recently clipped. He had arrested Cole's wife Dorothy. The Grand Jury threw out the bill against her ... ... p. 34

Order to Michael Tooley, provost marshal, to release Richard Lumbley, who had been forced by Captain Edward Taylor to take twelve pence for enlisting as a soldier. The Court ordered the money to be returned, and, further, was of opinion that Lumbley having been oppressed, and not being qualified to be a seaman, ought not to be impressed as a soldier ... *ibid.*

Order for Weekly Eakins to be imprisoned in Newgate for three months on his refusal to take the oath of allegiance, or to pay the fine of 40/-... p. 35

Moses Cathness, convicted of cheating Rebecca Dickens by means of a false token, value £14 13*s.* 0*d.*, is fined 20 marks, and ordered to stand for an hour in the pillory "at Bow Street end, near Will's coffee house" in the parish of St. Paul's, Covent Garden, on February 23rd ... ... *ibid.*

Order to the churchwardens, &c., of Stepney Parish to make a rate to repay to William Lloyd the sum of £5 1*s.* 8*d.*, which he had expended on material for repairing the highways while he was surveyor ... ... p. 36

Order made for three of the Justices to hear the matters of difference between Thomas, son of Daniel Paxton, citizen and haberdasher, apprentice, and John Wade, of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, haberdasher of small wares, his master. The apprentice, aged 15, complained, amongst other things, that his master had forced him to stay at home on Sundays "to dress provisions, and [do] other household and servile work": that he had been terrified at the instigation of his master into a confession that he had defrauded his master of several small wares and some money, and though his friends had offered to make full satisfaction, his master had turned him out of doors, got him committed to the New Prison, and would not have him back, nor return any part of the premium of £15. The master alleged that his apprentice had embezzled several small wares and 32/- in money, and had been convicted of the same at the present Court. It was arranged that the parties should abide by the award of three of the jury, and in the meantime the boy is to remain with his mother. Benjamin Paxton, uncle of the said apprentice, is mentioned p. 37

Order for preventing alehouse keepers from holding the office of headborough or beadle. Complaint had been made to the Court that divers headboroughs and beadles, who kept alehouses, had been in the habit of taking persons whom they had apprehended to their own houses, "or places called roundhouses," and keeping them there until they had spent great sums of money in eating and drinking and lodging, and then releasing them without bringing them before a Justice; that often offenders had been taken to these alehouses and roundhouses, after they had been committed to the New Prison and Bridewell; and that seamen and others liable to be pressed for the fleet, took shelter in these houses kept by beadles and headboroughs "when his Majesty requires them in his service" ... ... p. 39

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The like appointment for Sir John Smith, baronet, for the hundreds of Elthorn, Spelthorn, and Isleworth. The said Sir John to take over the accounts of Thomas Chambers, the former treasurer.

Appointment of Edward Yeoman, gentleman, as treasurer for the Marshalsea, King's Bench, and Hospitals, in the hundreds of Ossulston, Edmonton, and Gore, in the place of William Mundon, gentleman, former treasurer.

The like appointment of John Turner, of Ickenham, gentleman, for the hundreds of Elthorn, Spelthorn, and Isleworth, in the place of John Smith, gentleman.

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Order in a dispute between the parishes of Datchworth, county Herts, and Enfield, in this county, as to the settlement of Elizabeth, widow of William Handley, and her five children ... ... p. 33

Order on the petition of Richard Green, of Hampton, showing that he has served as constable for the past year, and that at the court leet, held last Tuesday, he returned Charles Mason for the post, but the said Mason proving incapable, the petitioner is forced to serve until another fit person is chosen. Prays to be discharged. It is ordered that Charles Underwood be appointed in the place of the said Green ... ... p. 34

Order in a dispute between the parishes of Enfield and Edmonton, as to the settlement of Ann Dimisdall, a single woman ... ... *ibid.*

Upon the petition of Nathaniel Herbert, of St. Giles'-in-the-Fields, gentleman, showing that he is nominated overseer for the said parish, and that he is too old and infirm to serve the said office, and praying to be discharged, it is ordered accordingly, and John How is appointed in his place ... ... p. 35

Order in a dispute between the parishes of Islington and St. Andrew's, Holborn, as to the settlement of Mary (aged six years), daughter of William Edwards, lately deceased... ... ... *ibid.*

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Order in a dispute between the parishes of Allhallows, Barking, and St. John, Wapping, as to the settlement of Samuel, son of Henry Roper, deceased ... ... *ibid.*

Proceedings upon the petition of John Holland, of the Prebend Liberty, St. Mary's Parish, Islington, which shows that he has served as constable for the past year, and that Richard Browne, of the said parish, gentleman, has been appointed, but that he refuses to take the oath; petitioner prays that the said Richard may be ordered to take the oath, or to show cause to the contrary. The said Browne, proving that he is only a lodger in the said liberty, is discharged from serving as constable ... ... p. 37

Proceedings upon the petition of Joseph Hawton, of St. Mary's Parish, Islington, which shows that he has been an inhabitant in the said parish about two years and a half, and has not lived in the lower liberty above six months, and that he is chosen constable of the said liberty, although he is

collector of the King's tax, and is very infirm and unable to serve, and prays to be discharged. It is ordered accordingly, and Nicholas Spencer, of the said liberty, yeoman, is appointed in the petitioner's place ... ... p. 38

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Recital that a bill of indictment was preferred against Katherine Jordan, formerly of St. Giles'-in-the-Fields, widow, for having 40 counterfeit half-crowns and 50 counterfeit shillings, and for endeavouring to pass the same, which said bill was returned marked "ignoramus." The said Katherine complains that Thomas Udall, constable of St. Leonard's Parish, Shoreditch, has £12 16*s.* 0*d.*, part of the same money, belonging to her, upon the pretence that . . . it is counterfeit. Ordered that the said Udall restore the same to the complainant ... ... *ibid.*

Proceedings upon the certificate of two Justices (named), which shows that they have viewed the north side of the highway in the town of Kensington, and judge it fit to be paved with stone from the east end of the house of Thomas Johnson, gentleman, westward to the west end of the house of John Watkins, blacksmith, and that they have also viewed the south side of the highway in the said town, and that they judge it fit to be paved with stone from the east side of the door of the house of Thomas Colby, gentleman, westward to the west side of the garden door of John Symonds, gardener, "over against the house of the above-named John Watkins." It is ordered that the same be paved, according to the judgment of the said Justices, on or before the 1st of June next.

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Proceedings upon the complaint of John St. Paul, apprentice to Robert St. John, of Bear Street, St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, periwig maker, which shows

the said John to have been neglected and ill-used. Ordered that the said apprentice be discharged... ... ... p. 46

Order of reference concerning the payment of money due to Ralph Nicholson and John Bond, scavengers for the liberty of Church End, in the parish of St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, for the year 1692 ... ... *ibid.*

The order of two Justices confirmed, adjudging Peter Rishea, factor, to be the father of Phœbe Topping's male child, in the house of Mistress Reeve, deceased, situated in Coventry Street, "against the end of Oxenden Street," St James's Parish, within the liberty of Westminster ... ... p. 47

John Steele, otherwise Morphew, is convicted for cheating William Whitle "of five guineas in gold by false arts and tokens," and . . . Griffith Jones "of two other guineas," and for being a notorious cheat; he is fined 50 marks upon each indictment, and ordered to stand in and upon the pillory for three several days, first before the great gates of Hickshall, the second time near Great Turnstile in Holborn, and the third time near Charing Cross, for an hour each day, between 10 A.M. and 12 o'clock noon; he is to find sureties for his good behaviour for 12 months, and for his appearance at the end of that time. He is remanded to Newgate until he pay the fines, undergo the punishment, and find sureties, and then to be delivered, paying his fees, £2 8*s.* 4*d.* ... ... p. 49

Order for Simon Harcourt, Clerk of the Peace, to pay James Tyton 40/- for his trouble in soliciting the prosecution of Thomas Nicholls, Jonathan Ball, and John Steele, otherwise Morphew, who were convicted of several frauds and misdemeanours ... ... *ibid.*

Order in a dispute between the parish of St. Mary-le-Savoy, William Crossefeild, of St. Giles'-in-the-Fields, and John Ketchly, of St. Sepulchre's, founders, concerning the maintenance of the female child of Elizabeth, wife of the said Ketchly, the said child being born in the parish of St. Mary-le-Savoy, and chargeable to the said Crossefeild, he being Elizabeth's father. . . . It is proved that the said Elizabeth, "10 years since," eloped from her husband, and went to Jamaica for nine years, returning to England in December, 1693, just before the birth of her child ... ... p. 50

Proceedings upon the information that Ralph Randall has taken a house in the liberty of Hoxton, in the parish of St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, "never used for a victualling house, but always inhabited by citizens of good worth or gentlemen," with the intention of selling beer and ale. In consideration of the great number of alehouses in this locality, it is ordered that no license be granted to the said Ralph ... ... p. 51

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Proceedings upon the petition of William Hill, of Stepney Parish, showing that he was raker for the "upper part of Wapping, Stepney," for the past year, and praying to be repaid the money expended by him during his term of office. Ordered accordingly ... ... *ibid.*

Petition of Joseph Joyce, esquire, of Stepney Parish, praying to be discharged from serving as overseer of the poor of Mile End New Town, for the following reasons:—He has been employed in the Island of Nevis for ten or twelve years as King's Counsel, and Justice of the Peace, and has held highest rank in military affairs; he has lived in Mile End Hamlet about three years, and has "now a family of whites and blacks in the said island of one hundred and ten persons," and that he is here for the despatch of his affairs in England, and is suddenly returning to Nevis. Order that the petitioner be discharged ... ... p. 34

Upon the information that William Mann, of Fulham Parish, yeoman, has surreptitiously obtained a license for the sale of beer and ale, and that he is unqualified to be a victualler, he having suffered great disorders to be committed in his house, it is ordered that the said Mann's license be suppressed... ... ... p. 35

Order for the discharge of Mary Saltonstall, apprenticed to Sarah Hobbs, of St. Paul's Parish, Covent Garden, spinster, "tirewoman" ... ... p. 36

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Sarah Stratford is convicted for being a woman of evil fame, and for enticing Elizabeth Farrington into a common tavern in the parish of St. Clement Danes. She is fined 20 nobles, and is to stand upon the pillory three several days, for one hour, between 9 A.M. and 12 o'clock noon: the first day at the Porter's Block at Cowcross, the second time "in the most convenient place near the Fountain Tavern in the Strand," and the

third at or near Charing Cross, with a written paper on her breast showing her offence." She is to be imprisoned for three months, "without bail or mainprize," and is committed to Newgate until she undergo the punishment and imprisonment, then to be delivered, paying her fees, 17/4 ... p. 41

Reginald Bucknall is convicted for forging and publishing a letter of attorney, and the will of Jacob Jacobson. He is fined 3/4, and is to stand in and upon the pillory three several days, for one hour, between 9 A.M. and 12 o'clock noon: the first day upon Little Tower Hill, the second near the Sun Tavern, in Ratcliffe Highway, and the third day near Ratcliffe Cross, with a paper over his head showing his offence. He is committed to New Prison (without bail or mainprize) until the next Sessions, and until he pay the fine and undergo the punishment, then to be delivered, paying his fees, 10/4 ... ... *ibid.*

Mary Mattison, convicted for the same offence, is fined 1/-, and ordered to stand upon the pillory with the said Bucknall, on the three several days, with a paper on her breast showing her offence. She is committed to New Prison (without bail or mainprize) until the next Sessions, and until she pay her fine and undergo the punishment, then to be delivered, paying her fees, 10/4 ... ... p. 42

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Order for dismissing the petition of Abraham Derew, Gilbert Coleman, and Thomas Whiteing, late surveyors of the highways for the parish of St. Mary, Whitechapel, concerning money expended by them during their office ... ... p. 42

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Order to suppress the victualling license of Ralph Randall of the liberty of Hoxton, in the parish of St. Leonard, Shoreditch. [*Vide Sessions Book* 520, p. 51] ... ... *ibid.*

Order for dismissing Abraham Tyler, of the hamlet of Pinner, in the parish of Harrow, from the office of headborough, upon proof that he has served the said office since Easter, 1694, and still continues by reason that no Court Leet has been held by the manor this year. John Tame is nominated in his stead ... ... p. 44

The like order for Thomas Butterfield to be sworn headborough of the same hamlet in place of Richard Davis who is discharged ... ... *ibid.*

The like order for Thomas Atkins, constable of the hamlets of Wembley and Alperton; John Cannon nominated in his stead ... ... p. 45

William Russell discharged from being constable of Pinner, in the parish of Harrow, and Thomas Mayor chosen in his stead ... ... *ibid.*

John Harris chosen constable of Roxeth in the room of Thomas Porter discharged... ... ... *ibid.*

William Duck, chosen constable, and John Bodyman, headborough, of the hamlet of Harrow Weald, in the places of William Crane and Henry Bird, discharged... ... ... *ibid.*

Order for discharging John Coggs and John Bonnet from being constables of Ruislip and appointing Samuel Cock and Samuel Owen in their stead ... ... *ibid.*

Order of reference for reimbursing Joseph Cart, late constable of the ward of Fore Street, in the parish of Edmonton, money expended by him in passing cripples ... ... p. 46

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At a Sessions of oyer and terminer, held on 6 July, George Penhallock was convicted of a trespass for placing half an ounce of clippings of money in the house of John Butler with intent to charge Mary, the wife of the said John Butler, with the crime of clipping the current coin, and is fined 3/4, and is to be set in the pillory in the square, called Leicester Fields, for one hour on Friday next between the hours of 10 and 12 in the forenoon, with a paper showing his offence and to remain in the prison at Clerkenwell for one month ... ... p. 61

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Order on the petition of William Shelley, of the parish of St. James', Clerkenwell, pumpmaker, showing that in 1691 Andrew Benson became his apprentice, and that about two years ago he ran away and entered himself on board His Majesty's ship, the "Duchess." The Court directs that the

indentures of apprenticeship of the said Andrew Benson be cancelled, and that he be delivered to some officer of one of the ships of war, he appearing to be a disorderly person though an able seaman ... ... p. 64

John Pitcher is confirmed scavenger of Turnmill Street Liberty, in the parish of St. James', Clerkenwell, in the place of Edward Hickman, removed out of the said parish ... ... *ibid.*

Upon the petition of Nicholas Spencer, of the parish of St. Mary, Islington, showing that Thomas Woodman, chosen constable of the Newington Borough, has hired Samuel Beard to serve the said office in his stead, and the said Beard living nearer London than Spencer, he (Spencer) is forced to receive poor people from Beard and pass them on to Kingsland, notwithstanding Woodman's habitation lies nearer Kingsland; it is ordered that Woodman and Beard nominate a fit person to be headborough who lives nearer to Kingsland ... ... p. 65

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Order to grant a warrant of distress upon those inhabitants of Wellclose whose houses are within the bounds of the parish of St. John, Wapping, and hamlet of Wapping, Stepney, who refuse to pay the poor rate to the overseers of St. John, Wapping, upon pretence that Wellclose is within the liberty of the Tower of London, and exempt from the jurisdiction of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace for this county by virtue of letters patent granted 12 June, 3 James II [1687] ... ... p. 32

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Petition of William Gonson, high constable of Finsbury Division, in the hundred of Ossulton, and the churchwardens, overseers, headboroughs, and inhabitants of the parish of St. Sepulchre, showing that they have no watch-house in the said parish, and that the want thereof has occasioned the death of several of the constables and watchmen through cold, and the present officers and watchmen are not able to do their duty without hazard of their lives. They, therefore, pray that they may erect a watch-house at Cowcross, near the whipping post there, to be built with a flat roof and not to exceed 5 feet above the ground. Ordered accordingly. [*Vide Sessions Books* 471, p. 44; 481, p. 61; and 482, p. 25] ... ... p. 36

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An address, dated 26 February, 1696, from the Justices of the Peace and the Grand Jury of Middlesex, to the King, expressing their congratulations upon his escape from the "barbarous and horrid conspiracy," and assuring him that they "have with all cheerfulness entered into and signed the same Association that the Commons, now assembled in Parliament, have done." p. 28

Presentment of the Grand Jury recommending all the inhabitants of this county to enter into the Association on account of the "danger the nation lies under from an intended assassination of his present Majesty King William, and an invasion from France, carried on by the late King James and others" ... ... *ibid.*

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Letter from the Lords of the Council requiring that strict orders may be given to constables and other officers within this county to endeavour "to take up for the fleet all seafaring men who abscond or cannot give a good account of themselves"; and for an encouragement in this service, each constable or other officer shall have an allowance of 10/- for each man, to be paid by the Navy Board, providing the offenders be put on board any of his Majesty's ships or tenders by the 10th of April next ... ... p. 33

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Order of Council, dated Whitehall, 7 March, 1696, that a return be made of all French papists and suspected persons residing within this county, with particulars of the length of time of their residence in England, and if they be denizens or naturalised. Order that the oath be administered to such papists ... ... p. 35

Warrant, dated 18 March, 1696, for instructions to be issued to the petty constables and headboroughs to go from house to house in the several districts and make a return of French papists. It is further ordered that the said papists be commanded to present themselves at the Court House, Bloomsbury, "on Friday next," at 8 A.M. ... ... *ibid.*

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marshall in the Savoy, in the Strand," has left his wife, Ann, and one child, whom he refuses to maintain, it is ordered that the said Walter provide for his family ... ... p. 37

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Richard Burke is convicted for forging a receipt, pretended to be under the hand of Peirce Butler, for £20 received from the Earl of Ranelagh, Paymaster-General of His Majesty's Forces. He is fined 40 marks and ordered to be put in and upon the pillory near Charing Cross for one hour, between 10 A.M. and 12 o'clock noon, on such day as the sheriff shall appoint. He is committed to Newgate until he pay the fine, and undergo the punishment, then to be delivered, paying his fees, 17/6.

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Proceedings upon the dispute between Edward Mortimer, William Gulliver, Henry Hathwell, and John Maitland, who (with others) were overseers in the parish of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, in 1693, and the present churchwardens of the said parish, concerning certain sums expended by the

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The like appointment of Sir John Clark for the hundreds of Elthorne, Spelthorne, and Isleworth. He is to take over the accounts of Sir John Smith, baronet, former treasurer.

Appointment of Mr. Benjamin Noble, as treasurer for the Marshalsea, King's Bench, and Hospitals within the hundreds of Ossulston, Edmonton, and Gore, in the place of Edmund Yeomans, gentleman, former treasurer.

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Order of the King in Council, dated Kensington, 30 April, 1696. That the Justices transmit to the Board a list of the names of such French papists residing in this county who are not naturalised or made denizens. Particulars "of their qualities and professions" to be stated ... ... p. 41

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Order that certain Justices (named) do examine the accounts of Henry Hawley, esquire, treasurer of the money raised for the repair of Chertsey and other bridges... ... ... p. 42

Proceedings upon the petition of Robert Messenden and Joseph Grant, of Harefield Parish, in this county, yeomen, which shows that they have

served as constables during the past year, and that there has not been any court leet at the usual time for the election of new constables, and prays that they may be discharged. Ordered accordingly. Matthew Nelham and Richard Lewes, of Harefield, yeomen, are appointed constables, and Edward Carwell and Thomas Cooke, of the said parish, husbandmen, headboroughs ... ... p. 43

Order in a dispute between the parishes of Eastwoodhay, county Southampton, and Ealing, in this county, as to the settlement of Millicent, wife of David Goodluck, and her two children... ... ... *ibid.*

Order that William Bradshaw, constable of Harrow Town, in the parish of Harrow-on-the-Hill, and John Child, constable of Sudbury Hamlet, be reimbursed the money expended by them for relieving and passing cripples and vagrants ... ... p. 44

Order that William Davis, of Harrow Town, yeoman, be appointed constable of the said town, in the room of William Bradshaw... ... p. 45

The like order for Richard Street, junior, to be constable of Sudbury, in Harrow Parish, in the room of John Child ... ... *ibid.*

Edmund Emperor, of London, wine merchant, "discharged from being the reputed father of Ann Harrison's male child," who was born in the parish of St. James's, liberty of Westminster, on the 11th of January last ... *ibid.*

Order for the discharge of William, son of Robert Burchell, apprenticed to John Nicholson, of St. Andrew's Parish, Holborn, barber surgeon... p. 46

Petition of John White, of Kensington Parish, yeoman, showing that he served as scavenger last year, when he expended over £17, and praying to be reimbursed. Order for the inspection of the said White's account... p. 47

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Proceedings upon the petition of John Driver and John Burchett, of Chelsey Parish, yeoman, which shows that they served as surveyors of the highways in the said parish during last year, and prays that they may be reimbursed the money expended by them during that time. Ordered accordingly ... ... p. 50

Petition of the surveyors of the highways, and others, the inhabitants of Bethnal Green Hamlet, Stepney Parish. Shows that the said parish is very large, and is divided into several hamlets, most of which are paved "and are very little burthened in the charge of repair of the highways," except the great road leading from Bow to London, and the repair of that costs every hamlet very little in proportion to the amount paid by the petitioners for the repairs of the highways in their said hamlet, the petitioners being responsible for

the common and great road from Shoreditch Church to Stonebridge, the said great road from Bow to London, and another highway leading to Hackney, the cost being over £200 yearly, and the extent upwards of a mile and three-quarters. There are not more than 200 inhabitants in Bethnal Green Hamlet who are able to pay towards the same, and the petitioners pray that the inhabitants of Spittlefields Hamlet, who are very numerous, and have only a small part of the said great road to repair, may be ordered to contribute to the repair of the highways in Bethnal Green Hamlet. Referred to certain Justices, who are to enquire into the complaint ... ... p. 51

Proceedings upon the complaint of the churchwardens and other inhabitants of St. Clement Danes Parish, which shows that the said parish, lying partly in the county at large and partly in the liberty of Westminster, is assessed at a double rate towards the repair of Chertsey and other bridges, and prays for relief. Ordered accordingly ... ... p. 52

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Walter Cantwell is committed to New Prison for contempt in refusing to maintain Ann, his wife, and one child (pursuant to the order of this Court). He is to remain in custody until he find sureties to indemnify the inhabitants of St. James's Parish from the charge of maintaining his family, then to be delivered, paying his fees, 2/4. [*Vide Sessions Book*, 529, p. 37] ... p. 74

Robert Dale is "convicted of a trespass and false imprisonment." He is fined 3/4, and is to be put in and upon the pillory in "Blomsbury Market" in the parish of St. Giles'-in-the-Fields for an hour between 9 A.M. and 12 o'clock noon, of such day as the sheriff of this county shall appoint; with a paper on his head, showing his offence. He is to be imprisoned for a month after he has undergone his punishment, "unless he shall, in the meantime, voluntarily list himself to serve His Majesty as a soldier." He is remanded to New Prison until he undergo his punishment, then to be delivered, paying his fees, 17/6 ... ... p. 74

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Order in pursuance of the two foregoing letters for the Justices to deliver their report, on or before the 3rd of June next, to Martin Ryder, esquire, present Chairman of this Court, at his house in Red Lion Street, Holborn ... p. 35

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Admission of Captain Abel Weeks, gentleman, as the keeper of the New Prison in the room of Captain Thomas Jones, deceased... ... p. 37

Order for the high constables to return the names of all drovers, badgers, laders, kidders, carriers, buyers and sellers of corn, grain, butter, cheese, and other dead victuals, the Court having been informed that great numbers of persons do assume the trades aforesaid without being thereto licensed. p. 38

Order to Justices to view the lodge or keeper's study in the New Prison at Clerkenwell, and to consider what moneys Captain Weeks, the present keeper, shall pay to Martha Jones, widow of Thomas Jones, gentleman, late keeper, for the goods therein, and what are fixed to the freehold, and what the said Martha Jones may take away ... ... p. 39

Order to Mr. Wainwright, housekeeper of Hicks Hall, to cause convenient presses to be erected in the Grand Jury room there, for the keeping of the records of the Sessions ... ... p. 40

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Order to certain Justices to inspect the condition of the prison and House of Correction at Clerkenwell, and to report as to what it will cost to put the said prisons into good and sufficient repair ... ... p. 43

The like order to inspect deeds and writings, leases, agreements, &c., granted to Thomas Jones, the late keeper ... ... *ibid.*

In the proceedings between Charles Manners, esquire, of the parish of St. Ann, within the liberty of Westminster, and George Machell, his late servant, concerning payment of wages, it is ordered that the said Manners pay the sum of £20 due to the said Machell ... ... p. 44

Order to commit Charles Manners, esquire, for contempt of Court in refusing to obey an order to pay George Machell, his servant, £20 ... p. 45

Order for a double watch of able men at the usual places during Whitsuntide week ... ... p. 45

Order for Mary Francklyn, convicted of petty larceny, to be whipped at a cart's tail from the house of Walter Hopley in St. John Street, near Hicks Hall, to the pound at the upper end of John Street, and to be committed to New Prison till she undergo the said punishment, and pay a fine of 4/8 p. 46

Order to appoint a committee to confirm the admission of Abel Weeks, gentleman, to be keeper of the New Prison at Clerkenwell, in the room of Thomas Jones, deceased.

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Petition of the churchwardens and surveyors of the highways of St. Anne's Parish, within the liberty of Westminster, showing that the highways and pavements in the said parish are so much in need of repair that they cannot be made good for less than £80, and praying that a rate may be assessed to meet this expense. Ordered accordingly. Full instructions concerning the said assessment ... ... *ibid.*

Statement of a case which it is desired by the Justices that Sir Henry Dutton Colt will present to the Duke of Devonshire, Lord Steward of the Household, as to the execution of warrants within the verge :—Elizabeth, wife of Richard Elmes, of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, stands indicted at Sessions for keeping a disorderly house. A Bench warrant was issued for her arrest. The constables of St. Paul's, Covent Garden, arrested her in Spring Gardens, St. Martin's. Richard Elmes, husband of the said Elizabeth,

"with a drawn sword," rescued her. Her prosecutor told Mr. Roe, "at the Greencloth," that the Sessions Court was then sitting, and he answered that it was agreed by the Board of Greencloth that no Bench warrants should be served within the verge; that she should be prosecuted within the verge, and that if any constable or jury came within the verge, one of the Marshal's Court men would take them into the lodge and whip them. The constables have often had to come within the said verge, and when indicted for so doing the matter was referred to Lord Chief Justice Treby, then Attorney-General, who declared that the constables ought to execute their office within the verge, and granted a *nolle prosequi* ... ... p. 31

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Order in a dispute between the parishes of Camberwell, in the county of Surrey, and Stepney, in this parish, concerning the settlement of Edmund Barrett ... ... *ibid.*

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Order for an assessment to be made for the repair of the highways of St. Mary, Islington ... ... *ibid.*

Order for certain Justices to inspect the New Prison and House of Correction at Clerkenwell, and report as to the cost of necessary repairs. p. 47

Order confirming the appointment of Abel Weeks, gentleman, as keeper of the New Prison at Clerkenwell, in the place of Captain Thomas Jones, deceased. The said Weeks is to pay £25 quarterly towards the repairing and maintaining of the said New Prison ... ... p. 48

Whereas by an order dated 16 July, the overseers and churchwardens of St. John, Wapping, were ordered to appear before certain Justices, at the Blue Anchor Tavern, in the said parish, and produce their accounts. That order is now discharged, and the matter referred to certain Justices in the Tower Division, to make a report thereon ... ... p. 49

Order in a dispute between the parishes of the Liberty-above-the-Bars and the Liberty-below-the-Bars, St. Andrew's, Holborn, concerning the settlement of Elizabeth Haldron, who lived as servant for six months with Mr. Humfry in the Liberty-below-the-Bars ... ... p. 50

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Order for the churchwardens of the several parishes, hamlets, and precincts, named, to pay the respective sums assessed upon them for the costs recovered against the inhabitants of the hundred of Ossulton by Richard Norton for a robbery committed upon him in the said hundred. [Schedule of the parishes and the sums assessed follows] ... ... p. 67

Orders in a dispute between the parishes of Hendon, Harrow, and Ruislipp, concerning the settlement of John Edlyn. It is alleged that the said Edlyn had a freehold estate of two acres in the parish of Hendon, left to him by his father. [*Vide Sessions Book* 531, p. 48] ... ... p. 68

Order for Mary Franks, apprenticed to Mary Comfort, of the hamlet of Wapping, Stepney, mantua-maker, to continue her apprenticeship ... p. 69

Order for the discharge of Christopher Forster, the younger, apprenticed to James Chevallier, of Gray's Inn Lane, in the parish of St. Andrew's, Holborn, barber and periwig-maker, upon proof that the said Chevallier had absconded to Flanders, being much in debt ... ... p. 70

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Order for the dismissal of the petition of Francis Woodhouse, George Howard, John Cox, Henry Goodchild, and others, the headboroughs of the parish of St. Mary Matfellon, otherwise Whitechapel, which shows that they have heretofore collected money in the said parish to maintain a sufficient watch, and that Robert Bowes, the present constable, has now deprived the petitioners of the work of collecting, which he has undertaken to do, and that the watch appointed by the said Bowes is insufficient, and his transactions unsatisfactory ... ... *ibid.*

Proceedings upon the complaint of Mary, wife of Joseph Staples, of Limehouse Hamlet, Stepney Parish, butcher, which shows that the said Mary has been inhumanly neglected and ill-treated by her husband. Order that the said Joseph do allow his wife a certain weekly pension, and that, for the future, he do behave peaceably towards her ... ... p. 46

Order of reference to two Justices (named) upon the matters in dispute between William Gorton, of St. Giles'-in-the-Fields, gentleman, and Elizabeth, his wife, on the one part, and John Falkingham, of St. John's, Wapping, vintner, and Anne, his wife, and George Sutton, Henry Eustace, and Elizabeth Grimes, on the other part, concerning a quarrel which lately happened between the said parties, at the house of the said Falkingham, and several cross indictments which have been depending, for assaults and

riots, alleged to have been committed by the said parties against each other upon the said occasion ... ... p. 47

Order of reference to certain Justices (named) of the question of fees and profits of the New Prison and the House of Correction, from the date of the death of Captain Thomas Jones, late keeper of the same, until the election of the present keeper ... ... p. 48

Order that certain Justices (named) do view the repairs lately done by Thomas Little and others, in and about the House of Correction, and report upon the same ... ... *ibid.*

Order for Richard Parrott, Governor of the House of Correction, to make a "calendar in parchment" of the names of all persons committed, with full particulars as to their commitment and discharge ... ... p. 49

Upon the information that there is a balance still due to John Driver, and John Burchett, former surveyors of the highways of Chelsey Parish, and that several of the inhabitants have not performed their statute work, nor contributed to the repair, it is recommended to certain Justices to direct the former surveyors in the collection of the moneys charged on the said defaulters. [*Vide Sessions Book* 531, p. 50] ... ... *ibid.*

Order that the fine of £300 which was levied upon the inhabitants of St. Mary's Parish, Islington, for the repair of the highways in the said parish, be respited until further order, so that the surveyors may proceed to collect the said sum. The former surveyors (named) are to receive the balance of their accounts out of the same ... ... p. 50

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Order for the churchwardens, &c., of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields to pay one-half of £8 13*s.* 10*d.*, due to Joseph Milward, late constable of Hyde Park Ward, for passing vagrants, &c., and the churchwardens, &c., of St. James', Westminster, to pay the other half ... ... p. 25

A similar order to the churchwardens, &c., of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields to pay to Jonathan Palmer the half of £8 7*s.* 9*d.*, due to him for passing vagrants, &c., and the churchwardens, &c., of St. James', Westminster, to pay the other half... ... ... p. 26

Order for William Scott, late one of the surveyors of St. Anne's, Westminster, to pay £5 to the present surveyors of the highways, and to submit his accounts to three of the Justices, that they may be satisfied as to the payment of £8 7*s.* 0*d.*, said to have been received by George Gregory, deceased, another of the surveyors ... ... *ibid.*

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Proceedings upon the petition of the churchwardens and others (named), inhabitants of East Smithfield Liberty, in the parish of St. Buttolph Without, Aldgate, which shows that several of the petitioners have been appointed to audit the accounts of Francis Whitehurst, former churchwarden of the said liberty, and that they find flagrant errors in the said accounts, and that he withholds his books. The petition prays that the said Francis may be ordered to deliver up the same. Ordered accordingly ... ... p. 33

Order in a dispute between the parishes of Wyrardesbury, county Bucks., and West Drayton, county Middlesex, as to the settlement of Mary, widow of John Barringer, and Mary and John, her two children ... ... p. 34

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Order that the high constables obtain, by the 30th of November, true lists of the names and abodes of all persons between the ages of 21 and 70 within their respective parishes and places who have, in their own name or in trust for them, within this county, £10 yearly, at least, above reprizes, of freehold or copyhold lands or tenements, or of lands and tenements of ancient demesne, or in rents, or in all or any of the said lands, tenements, or rents in fee simple, or fee tail, for their life or that of some other person, to serve upon juries ... ... p. 37

Order for the discharge of Hannah, daughter of John Wilkins, apprenticed to Henry Smart and his wife, of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, sempstress. p. 38

Upon the information of the present surveyors (named) of the highways of Hornsey Parish, showing that the inhabitants of the said parish have performed their statute work in the repairs of the highways, and that the surveyors have expended several sums on the same, and that the said highways are yet very much out of repair, and praying that a rate may be made for their reimbursement and for the aforesaid repairs, it is ordered accordingly. [*Vide Sessions Book* 506, p. 53] ... ... p. 39

Petition of Thomas Bowles, of Norton Folgate Liberty, basket maker, showing that he is nominated headborough, and, setting forth his age and infirmities, prays to be discharged. Ordered accordingly ... ... p. 40

Order in a dispute between the churchwardens and overseers of the poor of the hamlet of Wapping, Stepney, in the parish of Stepney, and that of St. John, of Wapping, as to the settlement of Margaret, wife of John Ovey, a soldier now serving in Flanders, and Jane and Charles, their children. The said John was formerly an apprentice with Alice White, a watchman's widow, in the said hamlet of Wapping, Stepney ... ... p. 41

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Order for Martha, widow of Captain Thomas Jones, late keeper of the New Prison and governor of the House of Correction, to repay £2 2*s.* 0*d.* to John Geery, received by her after the death of her husband, for fees and profits of the New Prison. [NOTE.—"Afterwards this order was altered to 34/- by the direction of Mr. Offley"] ... ... *ibid.*

Order for Mr. James Tyton to prosecute Richard Latchfield for misdemeanours and frauds, of which he stands accused. Tyton is to be reimbursed all his expenses in the said prosecution... ... ... p. 43

Order in a dispute between the parishes of Mitcham, county Surrey, and Fulham, in this county, as to the settlement of Ann Chamberlaine. The said Ann was last legally settled as a "hired servant by the year" to Peter George, of Fulham Parish... ... ... *ibid.*

Petition of William Gunson, gentleman, high constable of Finsbury Division, in the hundred of Ossulston, and others, inhabitants of Whitecrosse Street Liberty, in the parish of St. Giles' Without, Cripplegate, showing that some of the inhabitants of the said liberty have caused a watch-house to be built in Playhouse Yard, in the said liberty, and that Thomas Woollaston, constable, has removed the watch from its ancient place, called the Whitecrosse, in Whitecrosse Street, near Chiswell Street, to the said new erected watch-house, which is very inconvenient, and that since the removal of the watch from the said old watch-house a burglary has been committed, and a certain person (unnamed) robbed of about £60. Prays that the watch may, for the future, be kept at "the old accustomed place." The matter is referred to certain Justices (named) ... ... p. 44

Order for the discharge of Sarah, daughter of Frances Hall, apprenticed to Rebecca Osmond, of the parish of St. Giles' Without, Cripplegate, "fishwoman" ... ... p. 45

The inhabitants of Heston Parish, in this county, having agreed to an assessment for the repair of the highways in the said parish, it is prayed that the said rate may be ratified and confirmed. Ordered accordingly. Instructions concerning the collection of the same ... ... p. 45

Upon the report concerning the repairs lately done by Thomas Little, and others, in and about the dwelling-house, belonging to the House of Correction [*vide Sessions Book* No. 535, p. 48], it appears that the work is well done, and that there is money due to the plumber and painter. Order that the report be confirmed, and the money paid out of the public stock. p. 46

Confirmation of the report of certain Justices (named) to whom was referred the examination of fees and profits received, at the New Prison and the House of Correction, from the date of the death of Captain Thomas Jones, late governor of the same, until the election of the present keeper (Captain Abel Weeks), and also of all money due to John Gery [Geery?] and Mrs. Wilson, for bread, &c., provided for the poor in Bridewell, before the appointment of Richard Parrott as governor ... ... p. 47

Order for the discharge of Ann, grand-daughter of Ann Jackson, widow, apprenticed to William Wood, of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields ... ... p. 49

Order to discharge an order adjudging James Levack, of Spittlefields Hamlet, foreign weaver, to be the father of Margaret Lemare's female child, it having been proved that Thomas Lemare, her husband, has not been absent in parts beyond the seas for more than 20 months, as was previously stated ... ... p. 50

Confirmation of the report of certain Justices (named) concerning the accounts of Henry Hawley, esquire, treasurer for the repairs of parts of Chertsey and other bridges ... ... p. 52

Whereas Sir John Baber, of St. Paul's Parish, Covent Garden, knight, appealed against an assessment of £25 10*s.* 0*d.* for the burial of the Lady Bridget, his late wife (who had been formerly the wife of the late Lord Viscount Kilmurray), and prayed the reduction of the same, on the plea that "the said Lady ought to have been rated as the wife of a knight and not as the widow of a viscount." It appears that the said "Sir John Baber did not, within 10 days after notice of the assessment, given by reading it in the church of the said parish, appeal to the Justices who signed the said rate" according to the direction of the Act for granting to His Majesty certain rates and duties upon marriages, births, and burials; wherefore the said Justices, having no power to relieve the said Sir John, recommend it to . . . the Court of Exchequer to levy what is justly due ... ... p 53

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Order for the churchwardens of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields to raise £230 for the repair of the highways, especially the highways and pavement before the old churchyard in St. Martin's Lane, 250 yards; in Church Lane, 326 yards; belonging to the new churchyard, 69 yards; at the watch-house at the upper end of Hedge Lane, 444 yards; at the almshouses in the parish of St. Anne, 116 yards. Mason's work is to be done in Church Lane, broad stone paving, 785 feet; at the two doors at the east end of the church, 190 feet; the pavement in the old churchyard leading from the school house to the north end of the rails at the steeple, and from thence towards St. Martin's Lane, 960 feet; the pavement along by the stone stumps on the west side of the old churchyard, and the pavement leading from thence to the middle door at the west end, 935 feet; the stone steps leading from the old churchyard into St. Martin's Lane, 270 feet; and the pavement and steps going up to the Lords' gallery on the south side of the church, 106 feet. p. 23

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Order for certain Justices to inspect the leases and grants of the dwelling-house and ground adjoining to New Prison, Clerkenwell, and to view the ground and premises, and to set out what part of the orchard and garden they find of right belongs to the dwelling-house ... ... *ibid.*

Order for William Robbins, convicted of trespass, to be whipped at a cart's tail, from Smithfield Bars to the pound at the upper end of John Street, and to pay a fine of 3/4, and to remain in Newgate Prison till he has paid the said fine, and the fees, 17/6 ... ... p. 35

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Order in the case of Isaac Adams and the parish of Hornsey. The said Adams had lately come to reside there "with about sixty poor children," which children were the "inventory" of Sir Thomas Rowe, deceased; and the Court, fearing that such might become chargeable to the said parish, directs Adams to furnish a list of names of all the said children and of the parishes from which they came, and to give sufficient security to indemnify the parish of Hornsey from the charge of maintaining and providing for the said children, or for any others to be subsequently brought to Adams; their names and addresses are to be furnished by Adams to the parish of Hornsey within one month of their arrival. Power is also given to the parish to inspect, from time to time, Adams' house and its inmates ... ... *ibid.*

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Order that the Clerk of the Peace (Simon Harcourt) or the Crier (Hayford Wainwright) do pay to Paul Cowley £3 in part payment for carpenter's work in building presses for the records. The two Justices named in the last order are to inspect the bill, and report to the next Court. [*Vide Sessions Book* 532, p. 40]... ... ... *ibid.*

Cross indictments having been preferred between Thomas Howcroft, glassgrinder, of St. Giles'-in-the-Fields, and Percival Ludgate, yeoman, scavenger and other scavengers for assault, and Thomas Howcroft having been convicted, the parties agreed to refer the dispute to Thomas Stibbs, churchwarden of the parish, and Robert Moor, bookseller, of St. Clements. The Court orders John Morley, one of the Justices, to determine the matter in case of any further difference ... ... *ibid.*

Order suppressing the alehouse license of Garrett Fitzgerald, of St. Botolph's, Aldgate, for suffering whores and thieves to frequent his house ... ... p. 26

Order that the warrant of distress against Dr. Charles Goodall and Mr. Thomas Walker, of the Charterhouse, for non-payment of poor rate in the parish of St. Sepulchre, stand over till the next Quarter Sessions; their appeal against the rate to be then heard... ... ... *ibid.*

Order that Mr. John Rolfe is to keep possession of a small garden plot adjoining the New Prison at Clerkenwell, at such rent, &c., as Mr. Ryder, Mr. Herbert, Mr. Mundy, and Mr. Cardrow, or two of them shall think fit... p. 27

Order suspending John Travers from being beadle of the hamlet of Ratcliffe, for extorting 14/- from John Neave under pretence of procuring for him an alehouse license. A new beadle to be appointed ... ... *ibid.*

Report of three of the Justices—Martin Ryder, Joseph Herbert, and James Mundy—on the lease granted 16 February, 1673–4, to Captain Thomas Jones, deceased, late keeper of the New Prison, of the dwelling-house and ground adjoining the prison. They say that the house erected by Jones was not granted him by the lease, but give no opinion as to how or to whom the orchard and garden should be disposed. [*Vide Sessions Book* 540, p. 34] p. 29

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Order that Richard Baldwin, of the parish of St. James, shall pay 4/- and no more per year to the scavengers' rate... ... ... *ibid.*

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Order for William Friend to be discharged from being scavenger of the hamlet of Limehouse, on the ground that he is assessor and collector of the tax upon the Capitation Act. Edward Fortescue appointed ... ... p. 41

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The appeal of the churchwardens, &c., of Wapping, against a Justices' order settling the three small children of John Brewman in their parish, is allowed by the Court, and order made to return the children to the parish of St. Paul, Shadwell ... ... *ibid.*

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The appeal of the churchwardens, &c., of the parish of St. Dunstan's-in-West, against a Justices' order passing Alice Rudyard, a female infant, into their parish is allowed by the Court, and the removal of the said infant back to the parish of St. Andrew, Holborn, is ordered ... ... p. 49

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Edmonton, and Gore for the year 1695. For so many guineas as Sir James received of Mr. Herbert at 25/- apiece, he is to be allowed for the same at the same rate in his account; and for twenty-two guineas and a half, which he received from the high constables he is to be allowed at the rate of 30/- each guinea. Sir James is to pay the balance to Alexander Pitfield, the present treasurer ... ... p. 50

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The Court orders the payment of £3 1*s.* 8*d.*, lost by the insolvency of William Hembrick, late high constable of the Tower Division, and collected by him on the rate for the repair of a part of Chertsey Bridge, and other bridges, to Henry Hawley, the treasurer of the bridge money ... ... p. 54

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A similar order to Mr. William James, treasurer for the hundreds of Elthorn, Spelthorn, and Isleworth ... ... *ibid.*

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Order to the head constable and petty constables, &c., of the hundred of Gore to prevent the concourse of disorderly persons at Burrows Green, Hendon, in Whitsun week, assembling there under pretence of holding a fair... ... ... *ibid.*

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The complaint of John Hill, William Parsons, Samuel Piffe, Thomas Smyth, William Mart, and Robert Pullin, of Ratcliffe, that the late churchwarden and a few of the inhabitants made a rate for the relief of the poor whereby they are over-rated, is referred to five of the Justices for settlement; report to be made to the next Court ... ... p. 50

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Order that Alice, widow of Richard Parrott, late governor of the House of Correction, do quit the dwelling-house belonging thereto . . . in 14 days; and it is further ordered that Mr. Alexander Pitfield do pay the said Alice £10 in satisfaction of the money expended by her late husband for the repair of the said House of Correction, &c. Captain Abel Weeks, keeper of the New Prison, and Captain Henry Moult, present governor of the House of Correction, are to pay the said Alice £5 apiece. [*Vide Sessions Book* 546, p. 53] p. 41

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Isaac Goring is convicted for persuading Thomas Brooks, apprenticed to Henry Linacre, to desert his master's service, and for encouraging the said Brooks to rob Jane Seale and others in the King's highway. He is fined 13*s.* 4*d.*, and is ordered to be put in and upon the pillory in New Brentford market place, upon such market day as the sheriff shall speedily appoint for one hour "at the usual time of the day," with a paper over his head, showing his offence. He is remanded to the New Prison until he pay the fine and undergo the punishment, then to be delivered paying his fees, 17*s.* 6*d.* p. 61

Order for Alexander Pitfield to pay James Tyton 26/- "by him charged as received as clerk to Joseph Offley, late treasurer for the maimed soldiers, and upon the rate for the Trinity Minories, which money was not received by the said Mr. Tyton, and is still unpaid" ... ... *ibid.*

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Order for reducing the assessment for poor rate made upon John Spurrell, of the hamlet of Ratcliffe, in the parish of Stepney, mariner, made upon his petition. He shows that he had been a slave at Algiers for 10 years, and that his friends, seven years since, raised £400 for his redemption, which he has not yet been able to repay, having scarcely sufficient to maintain himself and his family; he inhabits a house in Stepney Causeway of £6 a year, and complains that he is over-rated ... ... p. 31

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Order concerning the settlement of Thomas Ingersole, Sarah, his wife, and one child. The dispute is between the hamlet of Mile End, in the parish of Stepney, and the hamlet of Bethnall Green, in the same parish ... p. 39

Order concerning the settlement of Richard Thurlewind, "a poor distracted person." The dispute is between the hamlet of Ratcliffe and the hamlet of Wapping, in the parish of Stepney ... ... p. 40

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Order for Thomas Scott, a poor, lame, impotent child, to be placed with Joanna Brandon, of Axe Court, next door to the sugar baker's, in the parish of St. Peter's, Cornhill, and the said Joanna Brandon to be paid 5/- a week for the maintenance of the said Scott ... ... p. 46

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Ordered that the recognizances of Katherine Smyth, alias Clayton, indicted for keeping a disorderly house, be respited till the next Quarter Sessions. [*Vide Sessions Book* 549, p. 38 (?)] ... ... *ibid.*

Order concerning the settlement of Ann Cautwell, alias Fray, in the parish of St. James, Westminster; her lawful husband, Thomas Fray, is said to be living at Tesbury [Tisbury?] Wilts ... ... p. 32

Order for the churchwardens of Hornsey to raise money to pay £17 3*s.* 2*d.* due to Rose Blastock, widow of Richard Blastock, late one of the churchwardens ... ... p. 33

The Grand Jury present to the Court that there is "an unlawful assembly, called the Redoubt, after the Venetian manner, kept at Exeter Change in the Strand, and carried on by persons unknown, who by printed tickets give notice of games that are not lawful, and tend very much to encourage all manner of vice and debauchery, and that the persons who frequent the same go masked and disguised." The Court orders the high constables of the Westminster and Holborn Divisions, with all the petty constables, to meet at Exeter Exchange on the Thursday following at 4 o'clock "in the forenoon," and to remain there till 12 o'clock at night, and also at other appointed times, to preserve the peace, to disperse the assembly, and to arrest the managers. The order to be affixed to the gate of the Exchange, and the high constables to report to the Court on Friday ... ... p. 35

Order concerning the settlement of Mary Williams in the hamlet of Poplar and Blackwall ... ... *ibid.*

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Order to the high constables and petty constables in the several divisions of the county to give notice to all victuallers, innholders, coffee sellers, vintners, brandy sellers, &c., to forbear entertaining company on the Lord's Day, excepting those persons allowed by law: butchers, poulterers, fruiterers, barbers, and other persons are not to expose any of their goods on Sunday next, or on any Sunday following ... ... p. 37

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The like, for Jonathan Andrews, in the hundreds of Elthorne, &c. He is to take over the accounts of Richard Reynell.

Appointment of Charles Mundin, of New Brentford, gentleman, for the Marshalsea, King's Bench, and Hospitals, in the hundreds of Elthorne, &c., in the room of John Redding, gentleman.

Usual order concerning the wages of labourers, &c., and the assize of bread ... ... p. 7

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Order as to the settlement of Mary Hins, spinster. In October, 1696, the said Mary was servant to Mr. Cooke, of St. John's Parish, Hackney, farmer, where she lived six months, after which she entered the service of Mr. Payne, of the said parish, farmer, also for the space of six months ... ... p. 42

William Cuthbert, of Old Street Liberty, St. Giles' Without, Cripplegate, yeoman, discharged from serving as overseer on account of his age and infirmity ... ... p. 43

Order as to the settlement of John and Sarah, two young children of Thomas Borer, lately deceased. Their mother, Sarah, is lately married to Thomas Thompson, of Lambeth Street, St. Mary's Parish, Whitechapel. *ibid.*

Order as to the collection of a rate for reimbursing Manassah Lander and Hugh Bishop, former overseers of the poor in the parish of St. Clement Danes. [*Vide Sessions Book* 543, p. 53] ... ... p. 45

Order for the discharge of Jonathan Upp, of Teddington Parish, yeoman, he having served as constable in the said parish during the past year. Richard Beadle, yeoman, nominated in his stead ... ... p. 48

Order for Robert Williams, of Ealing Parish, mariner, to receive a pension from the fund for maimed soldiers. The said Robert, about 25 years ago, lost his left arm while serving King Charles II on the ship "Gloucester"... p. 49

A like order for William Bagshaw, junior, of Chiswick Parish, mariner. The said Bagshaw, on the 28th of April, 1689, lost his right arm in His Majesty's service, "in the river of Londonderry, in Ireland, in the ship called the 'Bonadventure'" ... ... *ibid.*

Thomas Starkey, of the liberty of Saffron Hill, in the parish of St. Andrew's, Holborn, discharged from serving as overseer of the poor in the said liberty, on account of his age and infirmity ... ... p. 50

Certificate concerning Jonathan Netheway, of St. Leonard's Parish, Shoreditch, gentleman, who was chosen, last Easter, to serve as overseer, and who produced a writ of privilege, showing that he, Jonathan, was an attorney of the Court of Common Pleas, and praying that he might be discharged from serving the said office, whereupon the said writ was allowed. The said Jonathan showed that he served as a clerk to Mr. George Jewce, an attorney, for four years, and to Mr. Thomas Percivall, an attorney, for three years, and that he was sworn an attorney about 18 years ago. Several witnesses declare that the said Jonathan has discontinued his profession, and pray the Court to state the truth of the matter "to your lordship" that you may give such directions "touching the said writ of priviledge as to your lordship shall be thought meet" ... ... p. 51

Order as to the settlement of Ellis Wright, aged about nine years. The dispute is between the parishes of St. John, Wapping, and St. Sepulchre. p. 52

Order as to the settlement of Mary Street, a young woman, who lived with her brother, George Street, "stage coachman for Marleburrough for about seven years, who lived at the Dolphin, near the Bell Inn, in the Strand." The dispute is between the parishes of St. Mary-le-Savoy and St. Martin-in-the-Fields... ... ... p. 53

Order for the discharge of Elias Turner, of St. Leonard's Parish, Shoreditch, gentleman, from serving the office of overseer of the poor in the said parish. The said Turner showed that his affairs required his speedy departure into parts beyond the seas ... ... p. 54

Proceedings upon the petition of Edward Elderton, of St. Mary Matfellon, which shows that the petitioner holds two farms, part lying . . . in the hamlet of Mile End Old Town, Stepney, and part in the parish of St. Mary Matfellon, and that he is assessed beyond the value of the said lands, and prays that "a view and admeasurement" may be made. Order of reference concerning the same ... ... p. 55

Order as to the settlement of Mary Fenner, who, about three years ago, lived for about 13 months as the servant of John Casselton, at Prittlewell, and also for a year with John Dazely, of the same place. Further proof shows that the said Mary lived as servant to Richard Drake, of the hamlet of Poplar and Blackwall, for one year, from Christmas 1698 (*sic*), ending at Christmas last past ... ... p. 57

Order for raising money for the constables' rate in Hammersmith... *ibid.*

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Order to "——— Harrington, constable of New Brentford, to deliver to Daniell Harrington one brass kettle stolen from him by one Bartholomew Syers, who is lately dead in Newgate.

"Mr. Hawley to deliver to Sarah Clarke a parcell of wareing clothes and things sealed up now in his custody suspected to be stolen by one Robert Knight, the bill being ignoramus against him.

"St. John, Wapping, to pay to the maimed soldiers £1 6*s.* 0*d.* per annum."

Memorandum concerning the appeal of Sir George Downing, baronet, against £3 16*s.* 0*d.* charged on him as a widower; the appeal is allowed, oath being made that he has a son living ... ... p. 62

Lists of names headed "New Prison" and "House of Correction." pp. 63, 64

Whereas by an Act of 8 and 9 William III, entitled "An Act for paving and regulating the Haymarket, in the parishes of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields and St. James', within the liberty of Westminster, and for collecting and securing the duties and sums of money thereby granted to the uses, intents, and purposes therein limited and expressed," it is referred to certain Justices to view the said Haymarket, and to order the placing and settling of boundary stones or posts, for the better ascertaining the bounds of the said market place, and to give directions as occasion shall require for repairing the pavement in the said market. Order as to the collection of the duties and profits in and by the said Act granted ... ... p. 65

Order for the discharge of Ralph Morten, apprenticed to James Hassenius, of St. Margaret's, Westminster, watchmaker. The said apprentice was previously bound to William Speakman, of the city of London, clockmaker. p. 67

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Complaint made of irregularities frequently practised by constables, headboroughs, beadles, and watchmen by keeping persons whom they had arrested in the watch-houses, round houses, and spunging-houses, extorting money from them for lodging, &c. The Court orders the prosecution of offenders at the charge of the county, and directs the Clerk of the Peace to have the order printed and circulated ... ... p. 31

The Justices appointed to view the repairs to the New Prison done by Captain Weeks report that the work has been measured and valued by two competent workmen, and that the total cost was £431 12*s.* 7*d.* They recommend that £77 12*s.* 7*d.* be deducted, as some of the bills are overcharged, and they consider "the painting and fitting up of the garden there unnecessary," so that Captain Weeks had laid out on necessary repairs £360; but as Captain Weeks had agreed, when he was appointed keeper, to lay out £300 in repairs during his first three years, there was due to him £60. The Court orders the payment of the money to Captain Weeks. *Appended is a list of the bills and their several amounts* ... ... p. 32

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* New Prison, Clerkenwell, crossed through.

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The Court being informed "of some misbehaviour committed by the present governor of the House of Correction" at Clerkenwell, in relation to his small allowance of victuals to the prisoners in his custody, "by reason whereof two of them have been lately starved to death, and others detained prisoners for his fees after they were discharged by this Court without fees," seven Justices are appointed to inquire what allowances have been made by former governors of the said House to prisoners in their custody, what the present governor has allowed to his prisoners, and in what condition those prisoners now are, &c. They are to report on Thursday next ... p. 35

Report on the state of the prisoners in Bridewell. On December 7th there were 23 prisoners. Richard Bulke, discharged by the Court October 10th, was detained till November 4th, and John Wakefield, discharged on the same day, was kept till November 5th. The Justices state that when Captain Jones was keeper, the prisoners had flesh on Mondays and Thursdays, about a pennyworth of bread a day, and also meal pottage, water gruel, or pease pottage every day; the same was allowed in Mr. Parrott's days, and was begun by Captain Moult, the present governor, but for four months he only gave flesh on Sundays, but "of late" gave the same allowance as formerly ... *ibid.*

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Order for James Dormer, vintner, of St. Paul's, Covent Garden, to maintain and provide for Matthias Carter, the late apprentice to George Fox, deceased. Fox, a vintner, died possessed of an estate of above £1,000; his widow married Dormer, and the apprentice, Carter, was left destitute and became a charge to the parish ... ... p. 42

Several inhabitants of that part of the parish of St. James', Clerkenwell, in the liberty of St. Mary's, Islington, complain that though they contribute towards the watch, it is stationed so far away at the upper end of St. John's Street as to be of no benefit to them. They petition to be discharged from contributing to the Clerkenwell watch, and ask leave to employ and pay one or more watchmen of Islington. Order granted accordingly ... ... p. 44

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The Court is informed "that a school for the educating of young women in the Popish religion in the nature of a nunnery," is kept in the house of Mrs. Beddingfield, in Hammersmith, "and that divers Popish priests are sheltered in and near Hammersmith." Ordered that the high constable of Kensington Division do make search in Mrs. Beddingfield's house, &c., and apprehend all such women as they find, and such persons as they suspect are Popish priests, and bring them before one of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State ... ... *ibid.*

Upon information given that many Popish priests have lately come into the kingdom "and are very busy in exercising their functions which may tend to great inconvenience to the public affairs," the Court directs that on the arrest of any Popish priest he is to be sent in the custody of a constable to one of the Secretaries of State for examination ... ... p. 48

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Order for a rate for reimbursing Edmund Lidgold, late a churchwarden of Shoreditch, £452 17*s.* 10*d.* due to him. The order sets out that the churchwardens, &c., are to raise it weekly or otherwise by taxation of every inhabitant, parson, vicar, and other persons ... ... p. 45

Complaint of Sir Christopher Wren, knight, Mr. Henry Symonds, Mr. Jasper English, Mr. Vanstaden, residing within the verge of His Majesty's Palace of Hampton Court, and also of Mr. Matthew Bancks, Mr. John Oliver, Mr. William Tolman, Mr. Bovatt, Sergeant Snapes, and Mr. Cooper that they have been assessed for rates and duties upon houses for making good the deficiency of the clipped money. The Court adjudged the habitations and apartments of the complainants to be within and part of the Palace of Hampton Court, and discharged the assessment in each case. p. 47

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Appointment of Nathaniel Chandler, gentleman, as treasurer for the Marshalsea, King's Bench, and Hospitals, within the hundreds of Ossulston, &c., in the place of Richard Saunders, gentleman.

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Information received from Colonel John Perey, J.P., of his having entered a disorderly house in Weld Close, near the Tower, where he found nearly 100 men and women, "thieves and pickpockets, several whereof were burnt

in the hand." The said Colonel committed 19 persons to prison. Lord Lucas has since said he would complain to His Majesty in Council against the said Perey for so doing. It is the opinion of this Court that the Colonel did his duty, for which thanks are due to him ... ... p. 69

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Order for the churchwardens of St. Giles' Parish, Cripplegate, to pay Richard Bennet, William Bradley, Robert Greeves, and John Fox, surveyors of the highways in the said parish, certain moneys disbursed by them in the repair of the said highways ... ... p. 36

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Order that Charles Garey, of St. Mary's Parish, Islington, be rated and charged at 4*d.* yearly towards the repair of the highways of Islington aforesaid ... ... *ibid.*

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Richard Barnes, of St. Andrew's Parish, Holborn Liberty-above-Bars, yeoman, having turned his wife, Mary, out of doors, is ordered to pay 2/6 weekly to the overseers of the poor of the said parish, for the maintenance of the said Mary ... ... *ibid.*

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Order for the churchwardens, &c., of the hamlet of Ratcliffe to pay Jane Smith, widow, the arrears of seven months' nursing of Katherine and Mary Thomas, two poor children, on condition that the children shall not be again chargeable to the parish. [*Vide Sessions Book* 560, p. 89] ... ... *ibid.*

Order for the churchwardens, &c., of Stepney to pay to Benjamin Girle, late constable, £22 17*s.* 0*d.* due to him for passing cripples, &c. ... *ibid.*

Order for the churchwardens, &c., of St. Paul's, Covent Garden, to pay £27 13*s.* 9*d.* to Thomas Dutton and William Cobb, late overseers, due to them for relieving the poor, &c.... .. .. p. 45

Order for the late overseers of St. Sepulchre's, Robert Miller, Henry Key, John Halsey, and William Stubbins to pay the balance of their accounts, £4 0*s.* 6*d.*, to the present churchwarden ... ... p. 46

Order concerning the settlement of Margaret Smythe and her four children, William, Elizabeth, Mary, and Margaret, at St. Giles'-in-the-Fields ... ... *ibid.*

Order concerning the settlement of Elizabeth Watson, single woman, in St. Clement Danes ... ... p. 47

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Order for Charity Parrott, convicted of conspiracy and false accusation of Thomas Davis, to be stripped naked from her middle upwards and whipped at a cart's tail from one end of Jermyn Street to the other; to be fined 13*s.* 4*d.*, and to find surety for her good behaviour for one year. *ibid.*

Similar order for Ann Davis, convicted on three several indictments for perjury and other misdemeanours, to be whipped from Piccadilly End to the Mews Foregate ... ... p. 49

William Braddock, convicted as a notorious cheat, is fined 20 marks; he is to find sureties for his good behaviour for one year, and is remanded to Newgate till the fine and fees are paid ... ... *ibid.*

Margaret Roath, for keeping a brothel, is fined 40/- and is to be whipped at a cart's tail from Holborn Bars to Queen Street end ... ... *ibid.*

Order for the churchwardens of St. Paul's, Shadwell, to pay to Edward Gregory of that parish 2/- weekly for the maintenance of Mary Gregory. *ibid.*

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Order concerning the settlement of Mary Hutley, an infant, daughter of Samuel Hutley, a soldier, who with his wife, Mary, the mother of the said infant, has run away to places unknown. The dispute is between the parishes of St. Anne's, Westminster, and St. Martin's-in-the-Fields ... ... p. 21

The inhabitants of the parishes of St. Anne, Westminster, and St. Marylebone, are ordered to pave such parts of the highway leading from St. Giles' Pound to Tyburn as lie within their respective parishes. [*Vide Sessions Book* 562, p. 38] ... ... p. 23

Order for raising £230 for repairing the highways of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, and out of the money so raised the churchwardens are to maintain and amend with paviours' work 1,205 yards of the highways, viz., before the old churchyard in St. Martin's Lane, 250 yards; in Church Lane, 326 yards; in and

belonging to the new churchyard, 69 yards; at the watch-house at the upper end of Hedge Lane, 444 yards; and at the Almshouses in the parish of St. Anne, 116 yards. With mason's work, 3,246 feet of the said highways, viz., in Church Lane, broad stone paving, 785 feet; at the two doors at the east end of the church, 190 feet; the pavement in the old churchyard leading from the schoolhouse to the north end of the rails at the Steeple, and from thence towards St. Martin's Lane, 960 feet; the pavement along by the Stone Stumps on the west side of the old churchyard, and the pavement leading from thence towards the middle door at the west end of the church, 935 feet; the stone steps descending from the old churchyard into St. Martin's Lane, 270 feet; and the pavement and steps going up to the Lords' gallery on the south side of the church, 106 feet ... ... p. 26

Order for raising £120 for the repair of the highways in the parish of St. James', Westminster, and out of the money so raised the surveyors are to repair the highways and pavements leading from Piccadilly to "High" Park Corner over against the Church and the Churchyard of the said parish, containing from east to west on and adjoining to the north side of the said churchyard, in length 47 feet, and in breadth 32 feet, and in Jermyn Street from the west to the east corner of the churchyard wall, 159 feet, and in breadth so far, 20 feet, and further eastward along the south front of the church to the channel running at the east end of the said church 100 feet, and in breadth from the wall of the church to the denter or middle of the street there 31 feet, and again from without the pale at the east end and south-east corner of the said church, up northwards to the rector's house, 99 feet in length, and 6 feet in breadth ... ... p. 28

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in the parish of St. Giles' Without, Cripplegate, and they have adjudged the same fit to be paved, from the dwelling-house of George Dawes, baker, in Earl's Place to the dwelling-house of Thomas Wallis, a paviour, on the north side, together with the ground belonging to the dwelling-house of Phillip Freshwater at the east end of the north side of the street called Compton Street, and from the dwelling-house of Robert Bend, victualler, on the south side of the said new street called Earl's Place and Compton Street. Ordered accordingly ... ... p. 32

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Order discharging Joseph Sandford, son of Joseph Sandford, citizen and barber surgeon, of London, from his indentures of apprenticehood with Gabriel Briscoe, brother of the Company of Barber Surgeons, of St. Margaret's, Westminster, the said Briscoe having gone beyond the seas... ... ... p. 42

On the petition of William Walker, late scavenger of the Spur Alley Ward, St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, that the former order of the Court to the churchwardens, &c., to reimburse him had been neglected by them, the Court orders the payment of the £17 5*s.* 6*d.* due to him. [*Vide Sessions Book* 569, p. 25] ... ... p. 43

Order for the churchwardens, &c., of the parish of Heston to make a rate to reimburse George Butler and James Redworth, the late surveyors, £40 0*s.* 11*d.* due to them. Butler and Redworth point out that they are poor men, having families to maintain, and are in want of their money. p. 44

Order discharging Mary Farr, daughter of Thomas Farr, mariner, of Limehouse, from her apprenticehood with Jane Dowse of the same parish, child's coatmaker, on the grounds of ill-usage, &c. ... ... p. 45

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Order for all high constables to return an account next Sessions of all moneys disbursed and received by them in their respective divisions ... p. 35

Richard Isabell, of St. Andrew's, Holborn-above-Bars, grocer, is ordered at his own cost, on or before the 5th of November next, to "set up and make good the stocks and whipping post at Holborn," in the said parish where the same lately stood, the said Isabell having had them removed without permission of the Court ... ... *ibid.*

Order in a dispute between the parishes of Hanworth and Shepperton as to the settlement of Mary Middleton, "single woman" ... ... p. 36

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John Wiggins, otherwise Higgins, otherwise Layton, convicted upon two indictments for a notorious conspiracy and misdemeanour, is fined £5 upon each indictment, and ordered to be "stripped naked from the middle upwards and publicly whipped at a cart's tail from Temple Bar to Charing Cross," until his body be bloody. He is to find sufficient sureties for one year, and is committed to Newgate until he pay the fines, undergo the punishment, and find such sureties, then to be delivered, paying his fees ... ... *ibid.*

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Upon proof that Robert Miller, who keeps a public victualling house in Church Lane, Stepney Parish, is "a common receiver and entertainer of felons," it is ordered that the said Miller's license be suppressed ... *ibid.*

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Order for Philip Gough and Thomas West, convicted for a notorious conspiracy and misdemeanour, to be stripped naked from the middle upwards and publicly whipped at a cart-tail from the Bars in White Cross Street to Old Street. They are to find sufficient sureties for their good behaviour for one year, and to pay a fine of £5; and are committed to Newgate till they undergo the said punishment, and pay their fine and fees, 17/6 ... ... *ibid.*

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Francis Watson, convicted for a notorious conspiracy and misdemeanour, is fined 3/4, and ordered to be stripped naked from the middle upwards, and publicly whipped at a cart's tail until his body be bloody, from the Bars in the parish of St. Mary Matfellon, otherwise Whitechapel, "to and over against the church in the same parish, and back again from the church to the Bars aforesaid." He is committed to Newgate until he undergo the punishment, then to be delivered, paying his fees, 17/6 ... ... p. 34

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Order requiring all constables and others "to be very diligent" in their search after persons keeping disorderly houses, and "such as haunt the same, and more particularly music houses, which tend only to the debauching of persons frequenting them." The said constables are to bring before the Justices "all such profane swearers, cursers, drunkards, and profaners of the Lord's Day as they shall hear, or be informed of, that they may be dealt with according to law." Better returns are expected than have been formerly made ... ... p. 35

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On the report of certain Justices who had been appointed to consult with able workmen as to Hicks Hall, the Court directed that Mr. George Jackson take down the two end windows in the dining room there, and set up, in the best workmanlike manner, two new upright sash windows of the best glass in the place and stead thereof, and his bill is to be referred to the judgment of Richard Ryder. He is directed to view the cellar of Hicks Hall and to

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Order for William Haverland, gentleman, to pay the overseers, &c., of the precinct of St. Katherine's, the sum of 5/- weekly towards the support of his three grandchildren. Benjamin Collier, and Grace, his wife, the daughter of Haverland, had lived in a tenement in the precinct, rented at £3 per annum, but six months ago they had privately made away with their goods and run away, leaving their children destitute, and the grandfather, though "of sufficient ability," would not provide for them ... ... p. 48

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"And whereas by an order made at the said Session it was recommended and referred to us, and to certain [other] Justices (named), to repair to Newgate Gaol and to examine into the complaints of the poor prisoners for debt or damages alleged in the said petition, and to make a report thereupon as soon as conveniently we could, to the end the offenders might be prosecuted and punished according to law, and that the poor prisoners might have right and justice done them during their imprisonment.

"And whereas at the same Sessions the said William Ashcombe, Robert Barnes, and Miles Burrough, in behalf of themselves and the said poor debtors did exhibit one other petition alleging that they had been again grossly abused, and their lives threatened, only on account of their said first petition, and further praying relief.

"And whereas the matters of the last petition by an order made at the same Session was also recommended to the same Justices, or any three of us, we, the said Justices, whose names are hereunto subscribed, have by virtue of the said recited orders repaired to Newgate and examined into the matters complained of in the said petitions, and into the answers thereto given by the several underkeepers and persons complained against.

"And we do find that the prisoners in the common side of the prison of Newgate pretend to demand money of every new prisoner that comes in, under the notion of garnish money, which was formerly but 9/-, and is now advanced to 17/-.

"That there is charity beef sent in and moneys collected and sent for their relief and divided amongst them, and that there were at the time of our examination of the said complaint James Crosse, William French, Richard Marshall, William Naylor, ——— Lloyd, ——— Gardner, and ——— Bickerton (the last under the sentence of condemnation). These seven manage the charity beef which is sent in for the relief of poor debtors in such a manner that all the rest have not above half so much as themselves, and there are about 100 there.

"That if any prisoner comes in and has not wherewith to pay the garnish money he or she is presently conveyed into a place they call Tangier, and there stript, beaten, and abused in a very violent manner. And when the prisoners have received their quarterage of charity money the same is demanded of them under the notion of garnish money, and if the same be not paid sometimes it is taken away by force, and at other times their pockets are picked of it, which is done from time to time, notwithstanding the prisoner had been stript for the garnish money at his or her first coming in, and sometimes the very bedding taken away and sold, as it was particularly in the case of Ashcombe.

"That the petitioner, Barnes, when he had not bread to eat, had 6/-, being his charity money, taken from him by the said French in the presence of the said Robinson, and with his allowance, so that the garnish money is never paid, let them be there never so long.

"We further find that the underkeeper lets the felons out of their wards all day long, and they have liberty to go amongst the prisoners for debt, by means whereof their pockets are picked when they have money, and they are often very greatly abused by the felons. That the debtors are often locked up on the Lord's Day and not suffered to go to the chapel, which is done that the under officers may make money by letting in strangers, and money was demanded of the very ordinary's wife.

"That there was money collected for the discharge of one Preston, and the same was not applied to that use, but drunk out.

"That the underkeeper, Robinson, locked up a whore with one Peter Flower, *alias* Bennett, *alias* French Peter, and she often lay with him, even when he was under the sentence of condemnation.

"That the prisoners drank confusion to the late Government, and wished that God would damn King William and the parliament, and threatened to knock out the brains of him that would not drink it.

"That Robinson and other under officers give encouragement to all this.

"That one Essex, who was in the condemned hole, desired to continue there till the time of his execution, but was refused because he was to be stripped for garnish money. And we further find that the said Robinson and the other persons complained of in the said petitions did greatly threaten the petitioners, insomuch that before we came away they made application to us that we would order that the said William French, James Crosse, Richard Marshall, William Naylor, and one Elizabeth Dunn (whom they termed a receiver of stolen goods), might be kept apart, so as they might not come near the petitioners in the daytime, forasmuch as they had, before we came away, set the prison in an uproar, and that they were in danger of being murdered. Upon which we directed Mr. Fell to take care in that matter.

"And we find two of the informants, persons so sensible of their former wickedness and such penitents, that the ordinary has admitted them to the Sacrament, and they receive [it] as often as the under-keeper will permit them.

"To which these answers were given: that as to the garnish money it is a custom, and that all the prisoners had the benefit of it. As to the condemned person's lying with the whore, the fact was owned, but a pretence made of her being his wife.

"It was owned the felons were let out in the day, but locked up at night, and all the rest of the matters denied. But Mr. Fell promised he would take all care imaginable to prevent the like abuses for the future.

"All which we humbly certify and submit to the judgment of this Court." [*Vide Sessions Book* 598, pp. 47–50] ... ... pp. 42–45

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"The house of Robert Sparke in Crown Court, in Shoreditch, is certified and appointed for a meeting of dissenting protestants."

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Upon the report of certain Justices, dated 1st of August last, concerning the abuses committed in Newgate gaol [*vide Sessions Book* 597, pp. 42–45], "it is thought fit and ordered by this Court that no person or persons whatsoever, shall from henceforth take, demand, or exact, of any person or persons whatsoever, that now is, or hereafter shall be, a prisoner or prisoners in the said gaol of Newgate for this county, or in New Prison at Clerkenwell, or in any other of the prisons or houses of correction for this county, any sum or sums of money on pretence of garnish or footing money, or on any other pretence whatsoever.

"And that the keepers of the said prisons and governors of the said houses of correction do take effectual care to prevent the taking and exacting any sum or sums of money of any prisoner or prisoners in their custody, under pretence of garnish or footing money, or any other pretence whatsoever, and to protect the said prisoner or prisoners from being abused and ill-treated by the rest of the prisoners for not paying the same.

"And that the said James Fell, or his deputy (for whom he shall answer), do take effectual care to see the charity beef and moneys from time to time given for the use and benefit of the prisoners in her Majesty's said gaol of Newgate, be equally distributed amongst all the prisoners in the said prison entitled thereto.

"And that the said James Fell, and all other keepers of the said gaol of Newgate, for the time being, do permit and suffer all the prisoners in his and their custody, to go to the chapel in the said gaol of Newgate, to hear divine service and sermon as often as the same is performed there, without any hindrance or molestation.

"And that the said keepers of the said gaol of Newgate, and all other keepers of the other prisons in this county, and governors of the said houses of correction, do take effectual care that the cellars and sutling houses in the said prisons and houses of correction be not opened on the Lord's Day in time of divine service and sermon, nor any drink drawn or sold in the said prisons and houses of correction, during the said time of divine service and sermon.

"And it is further expressly declared and ordered by this Court that the keepers of the said gaol of Newgate and Gatehouse at Westminster,

shall not put, keep, or lodge prisoners for debt and felons together in one room or chamber, but that they shall be put, kept, and lodged separate and apart, one from another, in distinct rooms, pursuant to the Act of Parliament in that case made, under the penalties therein contained.

"And this Court doth further order that the keepers of the said gaol of Newgate and the Gatehouse at Westminster, do take particular care that no lewd women (or any that they shall suspect to be such) be permitted to lodge with any prisoners in the said gaols, who are under condemnation of death, or any other, on any pretence or consideration whatsoever.

"And lastly, it is ordered by this Court, that the Clerk of the Peace of this county, do forthwith deliver to each of the keepers of the said prisons, and governors of the said houses of correction in this county, a copy of this order to the end the same may be duly observed.

"And this Court is fully resolved to prosecute and severely punish all such as shall offend in contempt of this order, and doth strictly charge and require as well the keepers of the prisons and governors of the houses of correction as all such persons as now are, or hereafter shall be, prisoners in the said prisons and houses of correction, to yield due obedience hereunto, as they and every of them will answer the contrary at their peril." pp. 47–50

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Order for the churchwardens, &c., of the parish of Limehouse, to reimburse John Cook and John Best, the late overseers, the sum of £11 13*s.* 9*d.* p. 30

The petition of the overseers of the parish of St. Andrew's, Holborn, that Katherine Hovey, widow, might be ordered to provide for her grandchildren, was dismissed, as it was not fully apparent to the Court that she

was of sufficient ability to maintain them. The churchwardens had represented that she had put her son, George Hovey, in the Marshalsea, Southwark, and that his wife and two children had become chargeable to the parish. In her reply she states that her son George was in prison at the suit of her son-in-law, Thomas Stapleton ... ... p. 30

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Order for the discharge of Martha Holliday, a poor girl, apprenticed by the churchwardens, &c., of the parish of Finchley, to Daniel Whitton, from her apprenticehood, on the ground that she is an idle, pilfering servant. Whitton is to return to the churchwardens £5 which he received with the apprentice ... ... p. 35

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Order for paving the highway leading from St. Giles' Pound "towards Tottenham Court . . . from the east corner of the p . . . the parish of St. Gi . . . leading through . . . said . . . . . Court soe far as there are houses built and adjoining the way" . . . . p. 27

On a complaint of several inhabitants of the parish of St. Sepulchre that a select vestry, unknown to most of the inhabitants, has elected Robert Raymond to be head beadle in the place of Archibald Lovett, deceased, order is made quashing the appointment, and directing that a beadle shall be elected by the inhabitants who pay rates to the church and for the poor. p. 28

Appeal of Guy Barbault against a Justices' order adjudging him to be the father of the female bastard child of . . . Portwood, born in the parish of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields. Order made allowing the appeal and quashing the Justices' order ... ... p. 30

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Order relating to the money for passing vagrants. [Much perished, but apparently it directs that no money is to be paid by the high constables to the petty constables for this purpose unless the accounts are properly made up and presented to the Court at the next Sessions] ... ... p. 33

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Order to discharge Alington Pole, prisoner in the Gatehouse Prison, for debt, at the suit of Robert Lulman and William Bailey, upon proof that he had been in prison six months, that his debt only amounted to £20, that he was under 40 years of age, and had lately enlisted in Her Majesty's second troop of horse grenadiers under Captain Dent ... ... pp. 14–16

Like order for William Finch, debtor at the suit of William Knype, gentleman. The said William Finch has lately enlisted under Colonel Ray, in Lord Romney's regiment, being the first regiment of foot guards ... p. 17

Order for an assessment to be made to repair the highways of the parish of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, which are to be repaired with gravel and not paved, by Robert Mead for the sum of £150. Out of the residue of the money to be raised, the churchwardens shall cause to be repaired with paviour's work 250 yards before the old churchyard in St. Martin's Lane, 326 yards in Church Lane, 69 yards in the new churchyard, 444 yards at the Watch-house at the upper end of Hedge Lane, 116 yards at the Almshouse in the parish of St. Anne; and with mason's work in Church Lane, broad stone paving 785 feet; at the two doors of the east end of the church 190 feet; the pavement in the old churchyard leading from the Schoolhouses to the north end of the rails at the steeple, and from thence towards St. Martin's Lane, 960 feet; the pavement along by the stone stumps on the west side of the old churchyard and the pavement leading from thence towards the middle door of the west end of the church 935 feet; the stone steps descending from the old churchyard into St. Martin's Lane 270 feet; and the pavement and steps going up to the Lords' Gallery on the south side of the church 106 feet, &c. ... ... pp. 19–21

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Order confirming an order adjudging William Buxton, of Charles Street, St. James', baker, to be the father of Mary Holman's male child. The said child was born in the parish of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields ... ... *ibid.*

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John Bateman, esquire, appointed to the like office for the hundreds of Elthorne, Spelthorne, and Isleworth, and to take the accounts of Leonard Hammond, esquire, late treasurer ... ... *ibid.*

William Gulston [Gunson?] appointed treasurer of the Marshalsea, King's Bench, and Hospitals within the hundreds of Ossulston, Edmonton, and Gore; and Thomas Ponting for the hundreds of Elthorne, Spelthorne, and Isleworth ... ... *ibid.*

Order that the wages of labourers and price of bread stand as they did last Session ... ... *ibid.*

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Order concerning the settlement of Mary Pegg, widow of Nathaniel Pegg, and her four children, Elizabeth, Thomas, Martha, and Ann ... ... p. 26

Order for the discharge of Lawrence Thompson from the office of the constable of St. James', Clerkenwell, upon proof that he is old, infirm, and nearly blind ... ... p. 27

Order concerning the settlement of Catherine Cartwright, widow, and her two sons, Charles and Thomas. The dispute is between the parishes of West Clandon, in the county of Surrey, and St. James', Clerkenwell ... *ibid.*

Order concerning the settlement of Thomas Turner, Mary, his wife, and Thomas, Mary, James, Susan, and Elizabeth, their children. The dispute is between the parishes of Witham, in the county of Essex, and St. Sepulchre, in this county ... ... p. 28

Upon the petition of several of the inhabitants of Blue Anchor Alley, in the liberty of Grubb Street, in the parish of St. Giles' Without, Cripplegate, it is ordered that they be allowed to employ and pay a labourer to cleanse the said alley, and to carry away the dirt and soil, they paying him for the same; such payment to be over and above their contribution to the scavenger's rate there ... ... p. 29

Order for confirming an order adjudging Anthony Stokes, corn chandler, living near the postern gate by "Morefeild," London, to be the father of the bastard child of Amy Goodey, of the parish of St. Giles'-in-the-Fields. p. 30

Order for Thomas Braint to continue in the office of overseer for Hendon, upon proof that he is not so old and infirm as he alleges, and that he has a son, who lives with him, to help him in his work ... ... p. 32

Order concerning the settlement of Thomas Ellit, Martha, his wife, and Richard, Sarah, and John, their children. The dispute is between the parishes of Stepney and St. James', Clerkenwell ... ... p. 33

Order to discharge Gilbert Bearcroft from his apprenticeship to Charles West, apothecary ... ... p. 34

Order for certain Justices to view the market called the Haymarket, to order the placing and setting of boundary stones for the better ascertaining the limits and bounds of the said market, and to enquire whether the said Haymarket cannot be paved for less charge than in time past. John Tully, esquire, is appointed treasurer, and Edward Lawrence, collector of the moneys received from the said market, and Mr. Tully's accounts for the past year are set out ... ... p. 35

Order for certain Justices to view the bridge and way at and near Hockley Hole, and to decide whether the inhabitants of St. Andrew's, Holborn-above-Bars, or the inhabitants of Saffron Hill, Hatton Garden, are to pay for the repairing of the said bridge ... ... p. 37

Order for extending the time for paving the roadway from St. Giles' Pound towards Tottenham Court. [*Vide Sessions Book* 607, p. 31.]... p. 38

Order for John Isley to continue in the office of overseer of the poor of the parish of Islington for the ensuing year .. .. p. 40

Order for Lord Montgomery, as having the tithes impropriate of the parish of Hendon, to pay the assessment of £14 made upon him for poor rate ... ... p. 41

Elizabeth Anderson, of Wapping, Stepney, is excused from payment of parish rates. [Note in margin: This order was mistaken, and is entered afterwards in this book] ... ... p. 42

Order for Richard Turner to continue in the office of overseer of the liberty of Saffron Hill, and to be repaid £10, which he had paid as a fine, to be discharged from the said office ... ... p. 44

Order for Richard Skitsley, of Kirby Street, Hatton Garden, to pay 12*d.* weekly towards the maintenance of his grandchild, Mary Skitsley. It is proved that Robert Skitsley, of the parish of St. Ann, Westminster, son of the said Richard Skitsley, has sold all his goods and run away, leaving his wife, Mary, and an infant, Mary, totally unprovided for ... ... p. 45

John Bond, appointed treasurer of the maimed soldiers and mariners for the hundreds of Ossulton, Edmonton, and Gore ... ... p. 46

John Bateman, appointed to the like office for the hundreds of Elthorne, Spelthorne, and Isleworth ... ... p. 47

William Gunson, gentleman, appointed treasurer for the Marshalsea, Queen's Bench, and Hospitals for the hundreds of Ossulton, Edmonton, and Gore. Thomas Ponting, gentleman, appointed to the like office for the hundreds of Elthorne, Spelthorne, and Isleworth ... ... *ibid.*

Order for the high constables of the Westminster, Holborn, and Finsbury Divisions, in the hundred of Ossulton, to punctually observe and obey Her Majesty's order (copy annexed) of 2 April, for the quartering of Her Majesty's Foot Guards and the Coldstream Regiment of Foot Guards in the several parishes mentioned in the said order, and further to provide sufficient quarters and lodging for all soldiers "as shall come to the said high constables for quarters in their march or otherwise." Also to return to this Court in writing a list of the Christian and surnames of all innholders, victuallers, retailers of brandy, and other distilled liquors, keepers of livery stables, and all other persons liable by law to quarter soldiers, together with the streets and places where such persons reside [*vide* Queen's order entered below]... ... p. 47

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The Queen's order concerning the Foot Guards :—"Our will and pleasure is that the several companies of our First Regiment of Foot Guards be disposed of in the quarters following, viz., in the parish of St. Margaret's, Westminster, St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, St. James' and Covent Garden. And our Coldstream Regiment of Foot Guards, two companies in St. Anne's, Westminster, two companies in St. Clement Danes and St. Mary, Savoy, eight companies in St. Giles'-in-the-Fields and St. Andrew, Holborn, and two companies in St. Sepulchre's Without and Clerkenwell, where they are to remain until further order. And the officers are to take care that the soldiers behave themselves civilly and duly pay their landlords; and all magistrates, Justices of the Peace, constables, and other our officers whom it may concern, are hereby required to be assisting unto them in providing quarters, impressing carriages, and otherwise as there shall be occasion. Given at our Court at St. James' this 2nd day of April, 1703, in the second year of our reign

By Her Majesty's command,

William Blathwayt.

To Henry, Earl of Romney, Colonel of the First Regiment of Foot Guards; and to John, Lord Cutts, Lieut.-General of the Forces, and Colonel of the Coldstream Regiment of Foot Guards, or to the officers-in-chief with the said regiments." p. 52

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Order for certain Justices to enquire into and report upon the rules and methods for assessing and rating the prices of all land carriage of goods to be brought into the several inns in this county for the present year ... p. 54

Order for certain Justices to consider the rules and method for the better regulating the allowances for maintaining and conveying vagrants through any part of the county ... ... *ibid.*

Thomas Carney, convicted of unlawfully entering the house of the Right Honourable George, Earl of Huntingdon, and assaulting Elizabeth Whiteing, spinster, is fined 40 marks, and sentenced to hard labour in the House of Correction for one year. He is also sentenced to the same punishment for riot and assault ... ... p. 56

Order to reimburse Samuel Bonwick and Nathaniel Tarrant, late overseers of the hamlet of Hammersmith, in the parish of Fulham, money expended by them in the relief of the poor ... ... p. 57

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Order as to the settlement of Rachel, widow of Henry Webster. The dispute is between the parishes of St. Dunstan's-in-the-East and St. Mary-le-Savoy ... ... *ibid.*

Order on the petition of several of the inhabitants of the liberty of Saffron Hill, Hatton Garden, and Ely Rents. The petition shows that Richard Tanner and Gervaise Fielder, together with John Longland the

churchwarden, were appointed overseers of the poor, but that they refuse to serve, and prays relief from the inconveniences which consequently arise. It appearing that they stand indicted for contempt, it is ordered that others be nominated to serve as overseers for this year ... ... p. 26

Dismissal of the complaint of Mary, widow of Thomas Jerome, bricklayer, of Hornsey Parish, against John Walbank, formerly of Finchley Parish, journeyman bricklayer, who has removed to Hornsey, and has obtained a license to sell beer and ale, to the great damage of the petitioner, who has had a license to sell drink in that parish for 15 years ... ... p. 28

Order for a rate to be made in the liberty of Saffron Hill, Hatton Garden, and Ely Rents, St. Andrew's Parish, Holborn, for reimbursing William Lovett, former surveyor of the highways in the said liberty, the money expended by him .. .. p. 29

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Order for a committee to ascertain what fees are taken by the clerks to the Justices, and to settle what fees are fit to be allowed to be received by the said clerks ... ... p. 32

Order for a committee to take the affidavits of all persons concerned as to their loss sustained and the damage done by the late great fire in St. John's Parish, Wapping, and to report upon the same at the next Sessions ... p. 33

Order as to the settlement of Katherine, wife of ——— Rowland, a soldier. The dispute is between the parishes of St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, and St. Saviour's, Southwark ... ... p. 34

Order for a committee (named) to audit the accounts of Simon Harcourt, esquire, Clerk of the Peace, and John Reynolds, gentleman, Deputy Clerk of the Peace ... ... p. 35

It is referred to the same committee to audit the account of the "colt money" received by the said Mr. Reynolds ... ... *ibid.*

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Order of reference as to the accounts of Robert Horton and Richard Craine, former overseers of the poor of St. Clement Danes ... ... p. 30

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Order confirming the report of the Justices who had been appointed to inspect the accounts of Robert Horton and Richard Craine, overseers of the parish of St. Clement Danes for the year 1701. Richard Craine is to pay to the present overseers £25 2*s.* 7¼*d.*, and they are to pay £12 0*s.* 5¼*d.* to Robert Horton ... ... *ibid.*

Report of certain Justices who had been appointed to examine the petition of George Hughes, late churchwarden of St. Anne's, Westminster, to be reimbursed the money he had paid to the high constable of Westminster, on account of passing vagrants, &c.; the Court confirms the report, and states that all the late constables ought to be indicted for contempt and neglect; the present constables are to collect the moneys as yet unpaid. Particulars follow, respecting what had been collected from each ward. pp. 46–49

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Order appointing Peirce Welsh, mariner, of St. John's, Wapping, a pension, out of the Maimed Soldiers' Fund, of 40/- a year. He had served as second lieutenant in H.M.'s ship "Salisbury," and on 10 April, 1703, in an engagement with the Dunkirk squadron, "had his jaw broke by a musket shot, and lost part of his tongue": he was also wounded above the right ankle, which disabled him ... ... p. 46

Order discharging Edward Baldwin, of the parish of Hackney, from serving as overseer, as he is over 70 years of age and much afflicted. He came to reside in the parish about three years since, for the benefit of the air. *ibid.*

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Order for discharging William Thatcher, of Hornsey, from serving as constable. About 10 years previously he had paid £12 10*s.* 0*d.* to be excused from all parochial offices, and had given a piece of plate to the parish worth £5. Humphrey Turner, yeoman, is appointed in his place ... ... p. 49

Order concerning the settlement of Elizabeth Shadd and her daughters, Elizabeth and Catherine, in St. Clement Danes' Parish. The dispute is between the parishes of St. Leonard's, Shoreditch and St. Clement's ... p. 50

The appeal of Margaret Belfield, of the parish of St. Clement Danes, against being rated for the relief of the poor, is dismissed. She states that her late husband, Thomas, was the clerk of Clare Market, and that he rented of the Duke of Newcastle the stalls in the market which are set and placed out three days a week for selling provisions; and that when the market is over the stalls are removed ... ... p. 51

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Order concerning the settlement of Elizabeth Thompson, in the parish of St. Giles'-in-the-Fields. The dispute is between the parishes of St. Anne's, Westminster, and St. Giles' ... ... p. 53

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Report of the Justices who had been appointed to audit the accounts of Henry Hawley, treasurer of the bridge money. It is stated that £11 10*s.* 5*d.* remains due to William Sanders and Francis Brown, carpenters, for their work in repairing Chertsey Bridge, and they draw attention to a great charge which "will accrue by the late wet summer and great floods this spring." The Court confirmed the report, and ordered Mr. Hawley to get an estimate of the decays and defects of the public bridges, and the cost of repairing them with timber, gravel, &c., and to report to the next Quarter Sessions. p. 58

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Order for John Robinson to take upon himself the office of headborough for the liberty of East Smithfield, in the parish of St. Buttolph Without Aldgate, and for John Begerley to be discharged; he having been appointed by the said Robinson to serve in that office, contrary to the custom of the court leet of the manor of the said liberty ... ... p. 28

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Order as to the settlement of Margaret, widow of William Filp. The dispute is between the parishes of Stanwell and Hillingdon ... ... *ibid.*

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Order for John Reynolds, gentleman, Deputy Clerk of the Peace, to pay to Paul Cowley, senior, the money due to him for carpenters' work and materials bestowed in and about the New Prison and House of Correction, to repair the damage done to the said prisons "by the late dreadful storm." p. 31

Whereas by previous orders it was decided that a certain road or way from the east corner of the pound in the parish of St. Giles'-in-the-Fields, leading through the said parish and the parishes of St. Marylebone and St. Pancras towards Tottenham Court [*vide Sessions Book* No. 607, p. 31], should be paved, and whereas an extension of time had been granted for the doing of the said work; now upon information that the churchwardens and others have met and viewed the said road, and have agreed to have the same paved, from the corner of the wall belonging to the house of —— Turner, widow, by the upper cesspool in the said road, to the house of —— Redman,

near St. Giles' Pound, at the equal charges of both the said parishes "being so far as both parishes join together," and that the rest and other part of the said road or way from the said house in the occupation of the said —— Redman to St. Giles' Pound aforesaid should be paved at the sole charge of the said parish of St. Giles'-in-the-Fields, and that the said road be paved the whole length thereof," 30 feet in breadth, the same is to be levelled and made fit for paving by both parishes. Ordered accordingly ... ... p. 31

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for making his escape out of the Fleet Prison, where he stands charged at the suit of Isabella Suckling for £124 upon bond, prays to have the benefit of the Act for the Discharge of Insolvent Debtors. It appears that the said Richard "was not a prisoner in actual custody in the said prison of the Fleet," according to the true intent and meaning of the said Act, and the Court therefore declares he is not relievable and ought not to be discharged. Order that he be remanded to Newgate ... ... p. 51

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Elizabeth Sa[u]nderson, convicted on two indictments for forgery and deceit, is ordered to be put in the pillory in Covent Garden, &c. (*see* also p. 37) ... ... p. 47

Barnaby Hands, also convicted on two indictments for forgery, is ordered to be whipped round Covent Garden Square at a cart's tail, &c. (*See* p. 37.) *ibid.*

Information is given to the Court that many streets and lanes in Spitalfields have been lighted both with convex lamps and with other glass lamps, and that great confusion had in consequence arisen, some of the Justices having approved of one kind being used, and some of the other. Many of the inhabitants, too, exempt themselves from the penalty of 2/- per night for not hanging out a light by sometimes pretending that they contribute to one kind and sometimes to the other kind. The Court refers the matter to certain of the Justices, who are to examine how the streets are lighted—with lamps of any sort, or by the inhabitants themselves with candles and lanthorns. They are to report to the next Quarter Sessions ... ... p. 48

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Thomas Hunt, constable, of Harrow Weald, Edward Wright, constable of Roxeth, Joseph Swayne, constable of Sudbury, Thomas Goldsmith, constable of Wembley and Alperton, and Richard Constable, of Harrow Town, all in the parish of Harrow, represent that they have each served as constable for a year, and that no court leet has been held at which new constables might be appointed, and pray the Court to discharge them from office, and to appoint new constables. The Court orders their discharge, and further nominate constables as follows :—Humphrey Bishop, yeoman, for Harrow Weald; Abraham Bush, yeoman, for Roxeth; Thomas Sexton, yeoman, for Sudbury; Thomas Jarvis, yeoman, for Wembley and Alperton; and William Awsitor, of Harrow Town ... ... p. 29

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Order for the indictment against Mary Flint, Alice, Isabel, and Mary Lilburn be taken together on Friday next, and that Jane Rogers is to have liberty to plead and try her traverse ... ... *ibid.*

Order of the keeper of New Prison to bring into Court on Wednesday next Rachel, the wife of William Jefferson, late of the parish of St. James', yeoman, otherwise called Rachel Peirson, who at the December Sessions was convicted for being a common bawd, and procuring several evil-disposed persons as well men as women, &c., for which she was fined £100, and ordered to be kept in prison till she found security for her good behaviour for the rest of her life, to answer to this Court for another misdemeanour. *ibid.*

Order committing the above-mentioned Rachel Jefferson to Newgate. p. 34

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Order granting to Jonathan Cousens, mariner, of the parish of Whitechapel, a pension of £3 yearly out of the Maimed Soldiers', &c., Fund. He had been pressed into the service, and three years before his application for a pension had lost the sight of his left eye while serving on H.M.S. "Barfleur" ... ... p. 37

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Order for the churchwardens, &c., of the parish of Hornsey, to make a rate for repairing the highways of the parish, especially the common road, from the sign of the Nag's Head, Highgate, to the sign of the King's Arms there, leading to Finchley ... ... p. 41

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Thomas Kender, gentleman, is continued as treasurer for the Marshalsea, &c., for the hundreds of Elthorne, Spelthorne, and Isleworth; the accounts to be duly audited ... ... *ibid.*

Hugh Smythson, esquire, convicted for assaulting and wounding Sir Hugh Smythson, baronet, his father, and attempting to murder him, is fined £25, and ordered to find sureties to keep the peace for seven years: he is committed to Newgate ... ... p. 46

Order for the whipping at a cart's tail, from Temple Bar to the Maypole in the Strand, of Elizabeth Roberts, for petty larceny... ... ... *ibid.*

The report of the Justices appointed to audit the accounts of Henry Hawley, esquire, treasurer of the bridge money, is confirmed by the Court. The accounts are set out:—£11 10*s.* 5*d.* spent in paying the arrears due to the carpenters for repairing that part of Chertsey Bridge which is in the county; £6 3*s.* 0*d.* was paid to John Aylward, surveyor of the bridges, for gravelling and repairing Brentford Bridge; and £3 19*s.* 0*d.* to the same Aylward, for repairing a timber wharf at the south-west side of the same bridge ... ... p. 47

Order continuing John Tully, esquire, as treasurer of the Haymarket, and Edward Lawrence as collector, as in previous years. The accounts to be audited by certain of the Justices ... ... p. 49

Order for Abraham Arlidge and Thomas Field, pretended trustees of some houses and garden ground in Hogsden (Hoxton) in the parish of St. Leonard's,

Shoreditch, belonging to the liberty of Saffron Hill, Hatton Garden, and Ely Rents, purchased in the name of several inhabitants of the said liberty, to deliver up to the churchwardens, &c., of the liberty the sum of £27 remaining in their hands, and also a note for £18 given by Mr. Richard Hinde. The dispute had been referred to certain Justices. [*Vide Sessions Book* 626, p. 27.] The pretended trustees asserted that the premises in Hogsden were very ruinous, and that all but 40/- out of the £27 had been expended in necessary repairs. The Justices reported that the trustees had received rent for the premises which ought to have been expended in repairs, that they could make little or nothing of the receipts and bills which the trustees presented; that the £27 was intended for the immediate relief of the poor; and that most of the repairs were done since the first order of the Court... ... ... pp. 50–54

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Mr. Robert Auger, churchwarden of St. Andrew's, Holborn, complains that he, with others, has been summoned by Thomas Leonard to attend a Petty Sessions, at the King's Head, Middle Row, Holborn, "while this Court of Quarter Sessions is sitting." This is against the known rules and practice of this Court; and Mr. Leonard is ordered to attend on Thursday to show cause, &c. ... ... p. 41

The petition of John Hayden to be released from his apprenticehood with Peter Narbond, barber and periwig maker, of the parish of Wapping, was dismissed, the Court not considering the charge of ill-usage had been proved ... ... p. 41

John Spurrell, of the hamlet of Ratcliffe, mariner, complains to the Court that, though an order of this Court in the ninth year of King William III reduced his assessment, yet of late an over-rate had been made, first of 6/-, and then of 12/-. Although he had shown the churchwarden the order of the Court, yet, when the petitioner was absent, the churchwarden had unbolted and unlocked his doors and made a distress, carrying away a piece of plate which he still detains. The Court ordered the return of the plate, and fixed the assessment of Spurrell at 20/- ... ... p. 42

The petition of James Roebotham to be discharged from his apprenticehood with John Groscort, dancing master, on the ground that he had frequently beaten him in a very inhuman and cruel manner, was dismissed, the charge not having been proved ... ... p. 43

Martha Smith, widow of Samuel Smith, sailmaker, of St. Paul's, Shadwell, complained to the Court that Arabella Yarwell, daughter of John Yarwell, citizen and spectacle maker, who, in 1694, had been apprenticed to her late husband for 13 years, had, at the instigation of Ann Taylor, deserted her service; further the petitioner declared that she could not well manage her business without her apprentice. The Court ordered the apprentice to return to her mistress ... ... p. 44

Order for Hannah Moor, convicted of petty larceny, to be forthwith stripped naked from the middle upwards and publicly whipped at a cart's tail from the corner of Lord Aylesbury's wall against the watch-house, near St. John's Street, to the end of Mutton Lane, in the parish of St. James', Clerkenwell ... ... p. 45

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Upon the petition of the overseers of the poor of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, showing that the 10 overseers (named) for 1703 hold certain moneys, for the use of the poor of the said parish, which they refuse to pay the petitioners without the order of the Court, it is ordered that the said money be paid to the petitioners ... ... p. 41

Order as to the settlement of Edward, the bastard child of Elizabeth Yalden. The dispute is between the parishes of St. Clement Danes and St. Martin's-in-the-Fields... ... ... p. 41

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Order for Zachariah Rowland, apprenticed to William Holmes, of St. Andrew's Parish, Holborn, spurrier, to return to the service of his said master ... ... *ibid.*

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Order for Richard Ryder, J.P., to view New Prison and Hicks Hall, to take an account in writing of the repairs required, and to agree with Thomas Little, bricklayer, and Paul Cowley, carpenter, with regard to the allowance for the said repairs ... ... p. 46

Upon the petition of Clement Mew, of the hamlet of Wapping, Stepney, showing that he holds eight acres of ground in the said hamlet, for which he is over-rated, and praying to be eased in the said rate, it is ordered to be referred to certain Justices (named), who are to report upon the case... p. 47

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Order as to the settlement of Hannah, wife of Robert Buck. The dispute is between the parishes of St. Mary, Whitechapel, and St. Leonard, Shoreditch ... ... *ibid.*

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Order for taking the accounts of the high and petty constables as to the money received and due for the passing of vagrants ... ... *ibid.*

Order for Richard Ryder, J.P., to view the New Prison and House of Correction, and to agree with the workmen as to the repairs of the same. p. 48

Upon the dispute between William Dyott, of Plum Street, in the parish of St. Giles'-in-the-Fields, gentleman, and Elizabeth Holmes, his former servant, concerning the wages due to the said Elizabeth, it is referred to James Mundy, J.P., to examine into the truth of the matter ... ... p. 49

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William Dounton and Thomas Randall, former scavengers of St. Katherine's, refuse to give any account of the receipts and disbursements relating to their office, without having an extravagant allowance made them for their expenses; it is therefore referred to certain Justices, who, in case the said Thomas and William refuse to render the required accounts, are to commit them to prison without bail ... ... p. 52

Order on the petition of Mary Edwards, of the liberty of Saffron Hill, St. Andrew's Parish, Holborn, widow. Shows that she is in a very weak condition, and has two children, one of whom, Christian, is a cripple, and that she had a pension allowed her for the maintenance of the said Christian, but the overseers have stopped payment of the same. She prays that it may be restored. Now upon hearing what was alleged by the churchwardens and overseers, who insisted that the petitioner was by law obliged to wear a badge, which she refused to do, and it appearing that the said pension was allowed for the support of Christian, her daughter, who wears the badge, and that the petitioner desires no allowance for herself, it is ordered that all arrears be paid, and the pension continued for the use of the said cripple ... ... p. 53

Order for Mr. Momford, churchwarden of St. Mary's, Whitechapel, to pay Bethia, daughter of Leonard Johnson, deceased, certain money due to her late father for repairing the watch-house and for keeping an extraordinary watch between Mile End and Bow ... ... p. 54

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Order for James Armaret, an overseer of the hamlet of Hammersmith, to pay to William Rogers, a former chapelwarden, the sum of £30 16*s.* 5*d.* due to him, and which had been collected on a rate ordered by this Court to be made ... ... *ibid.*

Petition of the overseers of the liberty of Saffron Hill, Hatton Garden, and Ely Rents, setting forth that Anne Ashton, wife to the only son of the Honourable Colonel William Ashton, and her child, had become chargeable to the parish, as Colonel Ashton had sent his son to sea as a common sailor, and would afford no relief. An order had been made by the Court for Colonel Ashton to appear, but as he was out of town the order could not be served on him. The Court on proof that he was duly served with a copy of the first order, and that he was of good substance and ability, orders him to provide for Anne Ashton and her child at his own charge ... p. 37

Order confirming the settlement of Alice Purdey and her children, Thomas and Elizabeth, in the parish of Portsmouth. The dispute is between the parishes of Portsmouth and Shadwell ... ... p. 38

Order for Hayford Wainwright, crier of the Court, to pay to Edward Mawle the sum of £18 10*s.* 0*d.* on the petition of Thomas Little, bricklayer. Little had been employed to repair the New Prison, and the materials he used in doing so were provided by the above-named Mawle ... p. 39

On the petition of Anne Alay, widow, of the parish of St. Andrew's, Holborn, setting forth that she is over-rated for the relief of the poor, and in mean circumstances, the Court orders that the rate of 20/- per annum be reduced to 10/- ... ... p. 40

Order concerning the settlement of Katherine King, and her children, Mary, Sarah, Margaret, and Katherine, in the parish of St. Bride's, Fleet Street, quashed by the Court. The dispute is between the parishes of St. Bride's and St. Anne's, Westminster ... ... *ibid.*

Order discharging Richard Woollger from his apprenticehood with Solomon Nicholls to learn the art or mystery of a gun-lock maker, as his master had not instructed him, but had absconded ... ... p. 41

Order for William Dyott, gentleman, to pay to his servant, Elizabeth Holmes, the sum of £7 17*s.* 6*d.*, wages due to her, on the report of Mr. Sergeant Mundy, to whom the matter had been referred. Dyott being present in Court, and refusing to pay, is committed to the New Prison till the money is paid ... ... p. 42

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Order for the discharge of Martha Wilson, daughter of Katherine Gargrey, apprenticed to Owen Salisbury, glover, whose wife, Sarah, was aunt to the said apprentice ... ... p. 46

Order for the overseers of the poor of Holborn-above-Bars to pay Alice Ingram 2/- weekly for the maintenance of her child, John Ingram, the son of John Harwood, a merchant ... ... p. 47

Discharge of the order of the 12th of October last, whereby Edward Minton, of Henrietta Street, St. Paul's Parish, Covent Garden, victualler, was adjudged to be the father of Barbara Fenwick's child, Mary, who was born in the said parish on the 9th of September last ... ... p. 49

Order for the discharge of Elizabeth Henderson, apprenticed to Hannah Cox, cap-maker ... ... p. 50

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Order for Mr. Henry Whitchcott, of Finchley, to pay Richard Roome, of the same parish, £1 14*s.* 0*d.*, the balance of an account due to him for digging gravel "for repair of the churchway at Finchley, called Neither Street," on the report of two of the Justices, appointed to deal with the dispute. p. 41

A pension of £3 per annum granted by the Court, out of the fund for maimed soldiers and sailors, to Thomas Tiddaman, of Poplar, mariner. He had been master of H.M.S. "Orford," and while on duty had lost the use of his right arm, and received several wounds in his head ... ... p. 42

A dispute between James Ball, butcher, of St. Giles'-in-the-Fields, and Peter and Margaret Woodcombe, was referred to one of the Justices for settlement. Ball had been indicted for assaulting Elizabeth Woodcombe and threatening to kill her, and a cross-indictment charged Peter and Margaret with an assault made on him. Ball had lent the Woodcombes £4, and they had given him a pledge in goods and chattels of much greater value. They had repaid him £2 19*s.* 6*d.*, and were ready to repay the rest on receiving the goods pledged. Ball pleaded that he had sold the goods, and yet had endeavoured to get the Woodcombes arrested for debt ... ... p. 43

Order concerning the settlement of Anne Kempe and her children, Mary and Anne, in the parish of St. Mary Savoy. The dispute is between the parishes of St. Clement Danes and St. Mary Savoy ... ... p. 44

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Order concerning the settlement of Katherine King and her children, Mary, Sarah, Margaret, and Katherine. The mother and Mary are sent to St. Anne's, Westminster, the children Sarah, Margaret, and Katherine to St. Martin's, Ludgate ... ... p. 47

A pension of £3 per annum granted by the Court, out of the fund for maimed soldiers and sailors, to John Allen, weaver, of the parish of St. Giles', Cripplegate. He had been pressed, and had served on board H.M.'s ships the "Royal Katherine" and the "Content." While serving on board the latter vessel he had lost the use of his right arm by the fall of "the garned block upon his left (*sic*) shoulder as he was hoisting the barge upon the boomes of the ship" ... ... p. 48

Order for the churchwardens, &c., of the hamlet of Limehouse, in the parish of Stepney, to pay £75 4*s.* 3*d.*, due to William Weathe, late churchwarden of that hamlet, by the first day of the next Quarter Sessions. p. 49

Order for the overseers of the hamlet of Bow, in the parish of Stepney, to pay within a week £6 4*s.* 0*d.*, money due to Anne Lowe for maintaining and clothing Elizabeth Smith, a poor girl belonging to the parish ... p. 50

The petition of Mary Baskerville to be released from her apprenticehood with Lydia Durrant, "semptress," of the parish of St. James', Westminster, was discharged, and the Court ordered her to return to her mistress. The petitioner stated that £30 had been paid on her behalf, and that two months ago, while she was "afflicted with a disease called the meazles, her mistress had turned her out of doors" Lydia Durrant was sempstress to Her Majesty, "and stated that in case of sickness her apprentices were by agreement removed to some other lodging, and that due care was taken for her safe removal." [*Vide Sessions Book* 637, p. 27] ... ... p. 51

Order for Coling Hunter, *alias* Collinghouse, within a fortnight, to remove two children from the parish of Hampstead, where he had put them to nurse, and to pay the churchwardens the cost of their maintenance there, since they had become chargeable to the parish ... ... p. 52

John Knapp, of the hamlet of Mile End, in the parish of St. Dunstan's, Stepney, about a year since let his house in Mile End New Town to William

Radford for five years, keeping some few rooms as a lodging for himself. Radford was to pay all the rates, yet the churchwardens continue to apply to Knapp for the rates. The Court orders the land tax and the rates to be paid by Radford during the five years, and further directs the churchwardens, &c., to reimburse Knapp the money they have levied by distress of his goods. p. 53

Order concerning the settlement of Bridget Blake, widow, in the parish of Christ Church, London. The dispute is between the parishes of Christ Church and St. James', Clerkenwell ... ... p. 54

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Order as to the settlement of Isaac Long, Jane, his wife and their four children, Henry, Mary, Margaret, and Katherine. The dispute is between the parishes of St. Sepulchre and St. Giles' Without, Cripplegate ... p. 37

A letter from Sir Charles Hedges, knight, to [the Justices of the Peace?], dated Whitehall, 21 February, 1706, recommending to their consideration the advisability of placing women convicts, now in Newgate, in houses of correction, to be kept to hard labour, instead of submitting them to transportation. This had been done by the City of London ... ... p. 38

Representation to the Queen from the Justices in reply to the foregoing letter:—Upon consideration of the case as to the women convicts now in Newgate, they find that in 1663 the Clerkenwell Workhouse was built for the employment of the poor, and that great sums were raised for its support by virtue of an Act for the relief of the poor of this kingdom; but that by subsequent reports it was proved that the poor could not maintain themselves by their work, and that the county, having no charities to assist (as the City had), all the moneys raised, it did not answer the end for which it was intended. By a subsequent Act for the better regulation of workhouses, it was enacted that no assessment should be laid on any parishes in Middlesex (except

that of St. Margaret's, Westminster) for carrying on the said workhouses after the 29th of September, 1675, and the county being thereby prevented from raising money for that purpose, the said workhouse stood empty and became ruinous until it was let to Sir Thomas Rowe for £30 a year. That the House of Correction at Clerkenwell is incapable of receiving convicts, and from information received from the Governor it has been proved that no persons there can, "though with very hard labour," earn sufficient to maintain themselves ... ... p. 39

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A letter from H. St. John to the Justices of the Peace, dated Whitehall, 26 December, 1705, enclosing a list (which follows) of the several regiments, and their commanders, under orders to recruit for Her Majesty's service abroad.

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Order for confirming a report of certain Justices as to the placing and setting up of boundary stones, the repairing and mending of the pavement, &c., in the Haymarket. John Tully is continued treasurer, and Edward Lawrence, collector, of the profits arising out of the said market. [Tully's accounts follow.] ... ... p. 28

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Whereas, on 20th of March last, John Whitehead, of the parish of Edmonton, labourer, and Baptist Woodroofe, of Edmonton, became bound for the appearance of Ann, wife of the said John Whitehead, to answer all things objected against her by Rachel, wife of Edward Lawrence, and the license granted to the said John Whitehead for keeping a victualling house was suppressed; now upon information that the said John Whitehead keeps an orderly house and is a person of good reputation, it is ordered that the former order for suppressing his license be discharged, and that all matters in difference between the parties be referred to certain Justices ... ... p. 49

Order for discharging Richard Lane from his apprenticeship to Thomas Aldridge, of the parish of St. Margaret, Westminster, "bodismaker" ... p. 50

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Order for reimbursing Thomas Wetherall, of the liberty-above-the-Bars, in the parish of St. Andrew, Holborn, money expended by him in relieving the poor ... ... p. 55

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Order concerning the settlement of John Hunter. The dispute is between the parishes of St. James', Clerkenwell, and St. Martin, Ludgate ... *ibid.*

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Rebecca Stafford, *alias* Carr, convicted of keeping a brothel, is ordered to be whipped at a cart's tail from the end of King's Street to the end of Southampton Street, in High Holborn, in the parish of St. Giles'-in-the-Fields. p. 28

Order concerning the settlement of a female child, named Priscilla, supposed to be a bastard, in the parish of Hanwell. The dispute is between the parishes of Clerkenwell and Hanwell ... ... *ibid.*

Order for discharging Sarah Pickford from her apprenticehood with Hannah Billington, button maker, late of the Strand. The apprentice complains that she has hard lodging, scarcely any clothes to wear, nor shoes and stockings to her feet, and that sometimes she has been forced to beg for sustenance, and she is left now quite destitute, as her mistress has been for some months in the Marshalsea for debt ... ... p. 29

Order discharging Thomas Bennett from his apprenticehood with Michael Cleere, weaver, of Norton Folgate. Bennett complains that his master's wife is a "Roman Catholick," and has frequently endeavoured to persuade him to be of that religion, and that he, by her persuasion, had been at the chapel of the Portuguese Ambassador, who is a papist, to hear Mass ... ... p. 30

Order for certain late officers of the liberty-above-Bars, in the parish of St. Andrew, Holborn, to deliver up the balances of their accounts to the present overseers, who are to give a note for payment of £50 to Captain Parr, from whom money had been borrowed for the relief of the poor. Further, the overseers are to pay to 15 poor persons, who had petitioned the Court, the arrears of their pensions; the inhabitants are to make a rate for the relief of the poor ... ... *ibid.*

A representation to the Queen's Majesty as to a complaint made by Lieutenant Walter Massey. The Justices point out that the Justices of the Staines Division had duly issued warrants putting into execution the Act for raising and enlisting seamen. On Lieutenant Massey's first visit they desired him to name the day for them to meet him, which he did. On the appointed day the Justices met, and at three o'clock in the afternoon Lieutenant Massey sent them word by an ostler that he was gone to another meeting for the like purpose. Notwithstanding this unbecoming behaviour, they sent to him to fix a third day, which he did, naming the 3rd instant. On that day the Justices met, but he sent them word that his horse was taken ill on the road, so that he could not come. The Justices had enlisted three able-bodied seamen, and they still remain in the custody of the high constable. Further, at their first meeting, not being satisfied with the diligence of the petty constables, they had fined one of them, giving all a strict charge to greater diligence. The Justices for the county urge that they have used their best endeavours to serve the Queen; and that they cannot find that Lieutenant Massey had given such attendance as was any way useful to Her Majesty's Service. Except at Hammersmith and Brentford, where he enlisted men, Lieutenant Massey either sent excuses for not attending the Justices, or gave directions to the constables by leaving notes at their houses. Three of the Justices have daily been in attendance, except on Sundays, for carrying out the Act. "Therefore the said Massey's informing His Royal Highness that we were very cold and negligent in our duty, was a very unjust reflection." Attention is also called to the fact that captains and other persons employed to receive persons enlisted, discharge them for money and other rewards, rendering the work of the Justices futile. The representation concludes:—"We most humbly hope that your Majesty will put your mark of displeasure upon the said Lieutenant Massey, that others may be discouraged from treating us hereafter in so false and unjustifiable a manner" ... ... pp. 33, 34

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Order for the attendance of the chief constables of Ossulston, Edmonton, and Gore, who are to bring their accounts relating to the passing of vagrants. *ibid.*

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Order for Edward Elderton, of Mile End Old Town, farmer, who rents several lands in the hamlet of Stratford le Bow and Old Ford, to pay to the chapelwardens of the said hamlet certain moneys due from him for the relief of the poor of the said hamlet ... ... *ibid.*

Order to excuse William Artorbury, of Rotten Row, St. Giles' Without, Cripplegate, labourer, from paying the poor rate ... ... p. 42

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Order for the churchwardens and overseers of the poor of Saffron Hill liberty to receive and provide for Sarah, child of John Early, who has left his habitation. The mother of the said Sarah is dead, and the child has been under the care of Barbara Smith, of St. Andrew's Parish, Holborn, widow, who petitions to be relieved of the responsibility ... ... p. 48

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Order suppressing the alehouse license of William Fenn, of Tottenham, which license he had clandestinely obtained after it had been suppressed by the Justices in the division ... ... *ibid.*

Order for the churchwardens, &c., of St. Mary's, Islington, to make a rate for the repair of the highways ... ... p. 50

Certain of the Justices report that they have inspected a new street in the parish of St. Andrew's, Holborn, running from the north end of the present street called Red Lion Street to Lamb's Conduit, intended also to be called Red Lion Street; one part of it is built on the east side, and the other part on the west side, and they recommend that the new street on the west side should be paved with stone, from the denter stone on the south of a corner house occupied by Edward Izard, victualler, to the middle of the street, on the east side of Izard's house to the north side of a house occupied by Charles Dexter; from thence northwards towards Lamb's Conduit so far as there are any houses, coach-houses, and stables, gravel should be used. On the east side of the new street, from the denter stone on the south side of a corner house occupied by Edmund Carpenter of the middle of the street, on the west side of the said house, to the north side of a house occupied by William Pain, carpenter, stone paving should be used. Further they report that they have viewed a new street called Ormond Street, and that they judge it should be paved with stone before the house occupied by ——— Parker, esquire, on the north side of the street, and before the houses on the south side occupied severally by Simeon Betts, Francis Etherington, ——— Buning, a baker, and William Hawkins. Order made accordingly ... ... p. 51

Complaint from certain inhabitants of the Savoy that, for 15 years past, certain persons, calling themselves vestrymen, have imposed extravagant poor rates upon the parish, and that persons who formerly paid 6/6, or 10/10, have lately paid £3 and £4. Order made for the examination of the accounts by certain of the Justices, who are to report thereon at the next Quarter Sessions ... ... p. 53

Order discharging Samuel Sells from his apprenticehood with John Lock, tallowchandler and grocer, of Uxbridge, his master having given him immoderate correction, &c. ... ... p. 54

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Order discharging Thomas Wrenn from his apprenticehood with Edmund Juby, feltmaker, of Earle Street, in the parish of St. Giles'-in-the-Fields. Juby is to return 50/-. The apprentice complained that Juby and his wife had so unreasonably beaten him that he went in danger of his life ... ... p. 60

Order discharging William Bilson, "of Pancrass, *alias* Pancross," from his apprenticehood with John Bartholomew, mariner, of St. John's, Wapping, on the ground that the indentures were void in law. It was stated on behalf of Bilson that Bartholomew had not only barbarously ill-used him, but had "left him in parts beyond the seas" ... ... *ibid.*

Order concerning the settlement of Henry Fendall in the parish of Hampstead. The dispute is between the parishes of Willesden and Hampstead. p. 61

Order discharging William Hart from serving as constable to the parish of Hanworth, as he has served a whole year, and cannot learn when the lord of the manor will hold a court leet and swear in another constable. The Court appoints William Neve to serve ... ... p. 62

Order discharging Ezekiel Farmer from his apprenticehood with Joseph Ferrland, weaver, of Spitalfields, on the petition of his father, Hezekiah. The Court held that the indentures were void in law, as Ferrland had induced the lad to become his apprentice without the consent of his father ... *ibid.*

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Order granting a pension of £3 annually, from the fund for maimed soldiers and sailors, to John Williams, of New Brentford. He had been on board H M.'s bomb-ketch, the "Comet," at the bombarding of Barcelona, when he lost his left leg by a cannon ball, as he was loading a mortar. p. 64

Order reducing the poor rate of Samuel Woodrow, of the parish of St. Andrew's, Holborn, from 12/- to 8/- per annum ... ... p. 65

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"Certificate, dated 7 September, 1706, that Charles Nicholetts, a protestant dissenting minister of the Gospel, designs to make use of the market-house in Shadwell Market for the public worship of God in a separate congregation, beginning the then next Lord's Day, he being qualified thereunto as the law directs."

Richard Baker, sworn high constable of Isleworth ... ... p. 80

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Upon the complaint of Nathaniel Chandler, chief constable of the Holborn Division, that the churchwardens and overseers of the poor and others, inhabitants of St. Andrew's, Holborn, of the liberty of Hatton Garden, Saffron Hill, and Ely Rents, have refused to pay certain moneys for the passing of vagrants, it is ordered that the said churchwardens and overseers, &c., do pay the same to the said Chandler ... ... p. 43

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Order for the suppression of the license of John Clarke, of the parish of St. Mary Matfellon, otherwise Whitechapel, victualler, who has been indicted for keeping an ill-governed and disorderly alehouse ... ... p. 46

A like order for Rowland Cambridge, of the same parish, victualler. p. 47

A letter from the Lords of the Council to the Duke of Bedford, dated 5 December, 1706, recommending the vigorous execution of the Act for the better recruiting the army and marines, and desiring him to send up, on or before the 5th of next February, an account, which is to be laid before Her Majesty in Council, of his proceedings in the matter, with the number and names of the recruits raised ... ... p. 48

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Order for Nathaniel Chandler, gentleman, chief constable of Holborn Division, to pay Hayford Wainwright, gentleman, crier of this Court, £20 towards the amount expended by him in passing vagrants ... ... *ibid.*

Order of reference as to the petition of Thomas Rascoe, former surveyor of the highways of Ratcliffe Hamlet, Stepney Parish, in which he complains that the churchwarden of the said hamlet refuses to make a rate, as ordered, to reimburse the petitioner moneys expended by him for gravel and other materials ... ... p. 40

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Upon the petition of the churchwardens and overseers of the poor of St. Andrew's Parish, Holborn, showing a deficit in the poor rate, owing to the amount of empty houses in the neighbourhood, and praying a quarter's rate more may be made upon the inhabitants, it is ordered accordingly. p. 46

Jonathan Easden, convicted for cheating Francis Fieldhouse and Thomas Boswell, is fined £10 upon each indictment, and is to be put in and upon the pillory on Little Tower Hill, near the Victualling Office, for two hours, between 11 A.M. and 2 P.M., with a paper fixed over his head, describing his offences; he is to find sureties for his good behaviour for twelve months. He is remanded to Newgate until he pay the fines, undergo the punishment, then to be delivered, paying his fees, 35/- ... ... p. 47

Order as to the settlement of Sarah, widow of Abraham Corner, and her three children, John, Judy, and Elizabeth. The dispute is between the parishes of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields and St. Margaret's, Westminster. *ibid.*

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Upon the petition of the churchwarden, constable, and others, inhabitants of the liberty of Grub Street, in the parish of St. Giles' Without, Cripplegate, showing that the watch-house belonging to the said liberty is much in need of repair, and praying for a rate to be made to defray the expense of repairing the same, it is ordered accordingly ... ... p. 50

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A like order for the payment of the account of Thomas Elford, of St. James' Parish, Clerkenwell, bricklayer, for work done at the House of Correction ... ... *ibid.*

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Order on a petition and appeal of Richard Price, gentleman, Matthew Nicholas, Henry Turner, Robert Russell, and John Turner against an inquisition taken at the mansion house of Charles, Lord Ossulston, upon a writ of *ad quod dampnum*, dated 19 December, directed to the sheriff of Middlesex, requiring him to enquire what damage would be caused if the Queen should grant license to the said Lord Ossulston to enclose part of a common highway, leading from Hillingdon Common to a town called Harlington. The petitioners had prayed that their rights might be preserved to them as soon as the said way should be enclosed, and it is ordered accordingly ... ... p. 53

Order for Hayford Wainwright, gentleman, crier, to pay to William Oram, plaisterer, to Richard Hickman, painter, and to a smith, the money due to them for work done at the House of Correction ... ... *ibid.*

At the Sessions held last July, the petition of Charles Hargrave and other inhabitants of Finchley Parish as to the poor rate, was referred to certain Justices who were desired to inspect the accounts of the churchwardens and overseers. Upon inspection of the said accounts, it was found that £51 had been expended for law charges, and the said Justices thereupon ordered that £36 should be allowed towards the charge of the said lawsuit, and that John Williams, churchwarden, should pay Henry Howe, overseer, £15, the residue of the said sum, to reimburse him the charge he was put to by an unreasonable prosecution. Now, upon complaint that the order of the Justices was illegal, it is ordered that the said report, and order made for confirming the same, be vacated, and the accounts are referred to the Justices to be reviewed and inspected ... ... p. 54

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Jonathan Easden to give notice to Francis Fieldhouse in the back lane behind Well Close, and Mary Boswell in Rosemary Lane.

Certificate that "a house belonging to Sarah Gully, widow, in Chelsea is set apart for a public meeting house of protestant dissenters in religious worship, pursuant to an Act of Parliament, entitled an Act for exempting of Her Majesty's protestant subjects from certain penal laws."

Henry Moult, keeper of the House of Correction, for non-attendance at Court, was fined 40/-, which was afterwards remitted.

Note as to colt money. James Hawley appointed treasurer of the fund for Brentford and Chertsey Bridges, in the place of the late Henry Hawley, his father.

Daniel Nicoll is ordered to give direction for the repair of that part of Braint Bridge which lies in Willesden.

William Gunson and Hayford Wainwright, gentlemen, are to account for money received for the passing of vagrants ; the latter is also to account for money he has received for the public uses.

"Certificate that a house in possession of Rice Davies, of Uxbridge, otherwise Woxbridge, in the parish of Hillingdon, which house was lately in the occupation of John Hill, his landlord, is set apart for religious worship."

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Order for discharging Mercy Firnley, *alias* Ferneloe, from her apprentice-hood with Grace Dollard, mantua maker and child's coat maker. Firnley had not been instructed in the art or mystery, but had been kept "running errands and doing house work" ... ... p. 23

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David Hechstetter is chosen treasurer for the maimed soldiers' and mariners' fund for the hundreds of Ossulston, Edmonton, and Gore, and he is appointed to take the accounts of Richard Brown, esquire, late treasurer.

Thomas Cullum, esquire, chosen to a like office, for the hundreds of Elthorne, Spelthorne, and Isleworth, and he is appointed to take the accounts of the Honourable James Bertie, esquire, late treasurer.

William Gunson, gentleman, continued treasurer for the Marshalsea, Queen's Bench, and Hospitals for the hundreds of Ossulston, Edmonton, and Gore, and Moses Bodicott for the hundreds of Elthorne, Spelthorne, and Isleworth ... ... p. 4

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Order for discharging Thomas Page from the office of constable of the hamlet of Roxeth, in the parish of Harrow, upon proof that he has served the said office for a year, and that no court leet is being held for the manor of Harrow for this year. Ralph Higgins appointed to serve in his stead. *ibid.*

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Order for Elizabeth Boyle and Alice Jones, convicted of defrauding Katherine Shute, widow, of £9, to be fined 6/8, and for Elizabeth Boyle to be put upon the pillory before Grays Inn Foregate, in the parish of St. Andrew, Holborn, for the space of one hour, with a paper over her head describing her said offence. Alice Jones is to be stripped from the middle upwards and publicly whipped at a cart's tail from Gray's Inn Foregate to Southampton Street, in the parish of St. Giles'-in-the-Fields. The said Elizabeth and Alice are both remanded to Newgate gaol until they pay their fines, undergo their punishment and pay their fees ... ... p. 56

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Order for the trial of traverses upon indictments the first four days of every Sessions. This order to be fixed upon the gates of Hicks Hall. p. 60

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Order for discharging Frances Woodward from her apprenticehood with Stephen Dodd, victualler, of Ratcliff. She had been originally apprenticed to Katherine Attwood by the parish authorities of St. Paul, Shadwell, and by her was assigned to Stephen Dodd. By Dodd and his wife she had been much beaten and bruised, and whipped from the shoulders to the waist until her body was bloody and raw ... ... p. 24

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Order for discharging John Langley from his apprenticehood with Abraham Richards, periwig-maker and barber, of the parish of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields. Richards had for some time kept an alehouse, and his apprentice was employed in waiting on the guests, and carrying out and fetching in pots, instead of learning his trade; besides, he was much ill-used by his master's wife. Part of the premium was to be returned ... p. 26

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Thomas Medlicott, esquire, chosen chairman of the Court of Quarter Sessions till after the Epiphany Sessions ... ... p. 24

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A petition from the sufferers by fire in the parish of St. Margaret's, Westminster, sets forth that on 10 April there happened in Charles Street "a most dreadful and lamentable fire," whereby 17 houses were utterly consumed, and six more very much damaged, "besides some outhousing"; that the greater part of the petitioners' goods, household stuff, and implements of trade were either broken, burnt, or made unserviceable, or stolen, so that the total loss amounts to £4,475 14*s.* 11*d.*; they therefore ask for letters patent to be granted them for a brief. The matter is referred to a number of the Justices, who are to report to the Court on 17 July ... ... p. 25

Order for raising £35 in the various parishes in the liberty of Westminster, to pay:—(1) Arrears of £8 10*s.* 0*d.* due to the widow of John Wyatt for carpenter's work done at the House of Correction in Tuttle Fields in 1702; (2) arrears for work done at the same place by Edward Stone, bricklayer, amounting to £5 5*s.* 0*d.*; (3) money due to Francis Reding, the governor of the house, for clothing, &c., for William Landy, a "poor distracted man" in Bethlehem Hospital, 28/- ... ... p. 26

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Order confirming the report of the Justices appointed to consider the dispute between Hollywell Court and St. Leonard's, Shoreditch:—The inhabitants of Holywell Court are not to be excluded from the liberty, or to be allowed to rate themselves, but they are to be excused paying the rate for the first quarter ... ... p. 49

Order for setting up posts and a chain upon New Brentford Bridge. The treasurer of the bridge money reports that New Brentford Bridge is much "dampnifyed" by the great number of persons passing over it with their horses, carts, and carriages in the summer time, when they have a convenient way below the bridge, but will not make use of it. The posts and chain are to prevent this use of the bridge, and preserve it for foot passengers... ... ... p. 51

Order confirming the report made by certain of the Justices, who had been appointed for the purpose, on the accounts of the late Henry Hawley, treasurer of the bridge money ... ... *ibid.*

Order for Joseph Evans, churchwarden of the hamlet of Mile End Old Town, in the parish of Stepney, to pay to Elizabeth Hicks, widow of a former churchwarden, the sum of £89, being the balance of an account due to her late husband ... ... p. 52

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Order discharging Sarah Ponder from her apprenticehood with William Smyth, fisherman, of Hammersmith, who had so ill-treated her that she despaired of her life. She had been apprenticed by the churchwardens, &c., of Lee, Essex, and as she had gained a settlement in Hammersmith, was likely to become chargeable to the parish. The Court ordered Smyth to pay £5 10*s.* 0*d.*, which he had received with his apprentice, and double apparel, to the chapelwardens of Hammersmith... ... ... p. 55

Order discharging Margaret Carter from her apprenticehood with Hannah Walsh, of St. Mary-le-Strand, *alias* Savoy, to whom she had been apprenticed to learn housewifery, on the ground that the said Hannah had cruelly ill-used her, and that her master had endeavoured to debauch her ... ... p. 56

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Order discharging Jane Best from her apprenticehood with Mary Mackdonnell, widow of Dennis Mackdonnell, button maker. The mistress complains that Best had often robbed her, and for that, and for lying out of the petitioner's house, whoring, and drunkenness, she had been in prison ; but her said mistress had received her again. Since that time she has been often drunk, stayed out at night, assaulted and beaten her, and threatened to kill her ... ... p. 59

The difference of Ann Blow, spinster, and Mrs. Mary Blay, concerning the sum of £9 8*s.* 0*d.*, claimed as wages by the former, is referred to certain Justices for settlement ; they are to report to the next Court of Quarter Sessions ... ... *ibid.*

Order discharging an order of two of the Justices, adjudging John Williams to be the father of the female bastard of Elizabeth Washborne, of the liberty-above-Bars, in the parish of St. Andrew's, Holborn. The Court found that the husband, Richard Washborne, was alive ... ... p. 60

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Order for Colonel William Ashton, late of the liberty of Saffron Hill, Hatton Garden, and Ely Rents, to pay the overseers £6 10*s.* 0*d.* expended by them in maintaining Ann Ashton and her child since he left the parish, and to provide for them in future. [*Vide Sessions Book* 633, p. 37] ... p. 65

Joseph Evans, churchwarden of the hamlet of Mile End Old Town, in the parish of Stepney, petitions the Court that the order made for him to pay Elizabeth Hicks, widow of John Hicks, a late churchwarden, the sum of £89 be set aside. He alleges that since those accounts were audited great sums have been charged to the inhabitants who have forbidden him to pay any further sums to Elizabeth Hicks, and that he has no money to repay her. The Court refused to set aside the order for the payment, but ordered the churchwardens, &c., to make a rate for the purpose ... ... p. 66

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Order confirming an order adjudging William Weston, of Marton, near Mackworth, county of Derby, to be the father of Rebecca Redgate's female child ... ... p. 50

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John Tully, treasurer of the Haymarket, is ordered to pay to Mr. Robert Hardisty, gentleman, Deputy Clerk of the Peace, the money in his hands for the public uses of this county ... ... *ibid.*

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Thomas Vaughan, Thomas Davis, Thomas and Edward Knight are convicted for a false accusation against William Guilham; they are severally fined £5, and are to be put in and upon the pillory at or near the Maypole in the Strand, for an hour, between 10 A.M. and 12 o'clock noon, with an inscription over their heads describing their offence. It is further ordered that the said four prisoners, for a false accusation against Edward Barker, apothecary, be each fined a further sum of £5, and be stripped naked from the middle upwards and publicly whipped at a cart's tail from Temple Bar to Charing Cross. Thomas Vaughan and Thomas Davis are committed to Newgate until they pay their fines and undergo their punishment, then to be delivered, paying their fees, severally 30/-, in all £3 ... ... p. 58

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   (*b*) Hundreds of Elthorne, Spelthorne, and Isleworth, Jasper English, esquire, in the place of Thomas Cullum, esquire.
2. For the Marshalsea, Queen's Bench, and Hospitals—
   (*a*) For Ossulston, Edmonton, and Gore, John Mills, gentleman.
   (*b*) For Elthorne, Spelthorne, and Isleworth, John Styles, gentleman.

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Thomas Jones, John Stevens, junior, and several other inhabitants of the parish of Acton, complain to the Court that the parish is very much cheated by the surveyors; they have charged for several hundred loads of gravel more than they paid for, and for labourers and stocking of gravel near £5, "which was in truth spent in alehouses." By threatening the constable they have got into their hands several sums of money not accounted for, and they have charged 30/- for gathering the money. The overseers are ordered to appear before certain of the Justices that the matters complained of may be investigated. p. 65

Order discharging an order of certain of the Justices adjudging Thomas Kingston, labourer, late of White Lyon Yard, Spitalfields, to be the father of a male bastard child of Amy Maghen, of Bethnal Green ... ... *ibid.*

Thomas Gilbert, William Outram, and Richard Godwin, and others, "journeymen upholders" state that they employed Mr. William Lock, an attorney, on several matters for which they paid him £9; but he has sent them extravagant bills for over £16, and threatens to run them to twice the charges if they do not pay him, and has brought several actions against them. Lock did not appear, and the Court ordered that his several bills be taxed by the Clerk of the Peace... ... ... p. 66

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Ordered that the accounts of James Walter, gentleman, and Benjamin Giroll, late chapelwardens, and of William Andrews, Nevinson Taylor, Ambrose Page, and William Henley, late overseers, etc., of the hamlet of Stratford-le-Bow, Old Ford, be audited and examined by certain of the Justices, who are to settle the matter and report at the next Quarter Sessions ... ... p. 75

The Court, being informed that riots, routs, and other misdemeanours have been frequently committed at a fair held in the month of May in the parish of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, called May Fair, desires the Justices living in that district to have the headboroughs, constables, and other peace officers before them, and give them orders to attend the fair in turns, and to see that the peace is kept; officers neglecting their duty are to be brought to condign punishment ... ... p. 76

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Order for discharging Samuel Stone, one of the high constables for the hundred of Spelthorne, on his representation that he has served for two years, and cannot serve "without great trouble and damage by reason of his frequent absences from his family." John Neale, gentleman, is appointed in his place. p. 81

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Francis Moore, of the parish of St. Clement Danes, dancing master, is bound over to appear at the next Quarter Sessions for recusancy, but having taken the oath of allegiance and abjuration, as appears by certificate of Mr. Bealing and Mr. Lavign of the 15th of March last, his recognizance to appear is to be respited, &c. ... ... p. 64

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Order for Sarah, wife of James Ridgely, convicted of petty larceny, to be whipped from the Bars in Goswell Street to the hither end of Old Street, in the parish of St. Giles', Cripplegate ... ... *ibid.*

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John Markly, churchwarden, and several other inhabitants of the parish of the liberty of Church End and Hoxton, in the parish of St. Leonard, Shoreditch, represent to the Court that on the 10th of January they had elected as beadle, according to the usage of the parish, Thomas Leech, who was fully qualified, having held that office for 12 years. William Darby, constable, refused to accept Leech as beadle, and had "taken one Loyd, who knows but very little relating to the matter." Further, they complain that Mr. Hyham, who at that time was chosen headborough, had forcibly taken away the paper showing the election of Leech, and refused to give it up. The Court decided that the election was irregular, directed a fresh election, ordering Hayford Wainwright, crier of the Court, to attend it and take an account of the voting, notice of the day of election to be given on Sunday, 23 January, in the parish church ... ... p. 47

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   (*b*) Elthorne, Spelthorne, and Isleworth, Richard Shoreditch, esquire, in the place of Jasper English, esquire.
2. For the Marshalsea, Queen's Bench, &c.—
   (*a*) Ossulston, Edmonton, and Gore, John Mills, gentleman.
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Order discharging Edward Skinner from serving the office of overseer of the parish of Enfield as he has only been in the parish two years ... p. 52

Order discharging John Aston, of London, merchant, from serving as overseer for the parish of Enfield. He is incapable of serving, having lately had a fall from his horse, whereby his shoulder was broken; he has been advised and intends to go to Bath for the recovery of his health as soon as he is able ... ... *ibid.*

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Information given to the Court that Thomas Charlesworth, of Lemmon Street, Whitechapel, victualler, whose license had been suppressed, had lately obtained a new license, and in contempt of the Justices had put up a sign before his house with this inscription:—

"Here I doe dwell in my owne defence,
Noe rogues nor knaves shall ever drive me hence."

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Order headed "St. Martin's Court Room, 29 September, 1709." Certain Justices, in obedience to Her Majesty's pleasure, notified to them by the Earl of Sunderland, to inquire into the causes of the excessive price of corn, give order that notice be given by the criers to all the Justices in the county and liberty to appear on Saturday the 1st October in the Exchequer Chamber adjoining Westminster Hall. Sir Thomas Franklyn, Mr. Hawtrey, Colonel Shoreditch, and Mr. Jennens, are especially desired to be present, as they have information and knowledge of great misdemeanours committed in Uxbridge market "touching the ingrossing of corn there." The high constables are to inform themselves through the petty constables, &c., of abuses committed by persons ingrossing corn, and to present a return to the Justices at the meeting at Westminster of the names, &c., of such ingrossers, regrators, forestallers, and other offenders ... ... p. 26

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Order discharging Thomas Cheeseman from serving longer as constable of the parish of Hampton; he had served for a year, and no court leet had been held, for the reason given in the order above. Richard Blanchard is appointed constable ... ... p. 48

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